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YOU can't complain about Andy King (right) being anything other than a true-blue Everton player and supporter. And there's no chance of King becoming red-eyed from too much television viewing... at the moment at least.

What it's all about is the Everton midfielder man's television set. When King had some friends in to watch a programme, they complained there was no red on the colour set.

"Who's complaining?" said King. "I don't want Liverpool's colours shown in my sitting room." So even when TV engineers went round to repair some other minor fault on the King set, the Everton and former Luton lad didn't worry about getting the missing red tint returned.

"I'm fed up with seeing and hearing of the Reds," said King. "Blue is my colour and I wouldn't mind if the whole set turned that colour. I don't miss seeing red on the set — it's nice not to be reminded of the Anfield lot down the road from Goodison."

So that's the way the set will stay — until his missus puts her foot down! — and insists on full-colour.

A NEW START

NEWCASTLE United's bottom-of-the-League position led them to splash out close on £100,000 for Hibernian's international John Blackley. During his nine seasons at Easter Road the 29-year-old sweeper made more than 400 appearances.

Two years ago he asked for a transfer. He said: "I thought I'd lost the chance of playing in England. Now I'm eager to start afresh."

Apart from a number of full internationals John also captained the Scottish Under-23 side and was in Ally MacLeod's squad in the World Cup qualifying stages.

LIVERPOOL has the unique distinction of having staged home fixtures for England, Wales and Northern Ireland during the last 12 years.

Wales recently received Scotland in their vital World Cup-tie at Anfield (Oct. 12). Ireland played British Championship games against England and Wales at Goodison in May, 1973, and England were hosts to Poland at Goodison in January, 1966.

Could the circumstances ever arise in which Scotland would be at home in Liverpool?

EDINBURGH football fans will, after all, have a derby game at New Year — although not on January 1st.

When Hearts were relegated last season it meant an end to the traditional New Year's Day game.

But after Hibs beat Meadowbank Thistle in the Semi-Finals of the East of Scotland Shield (for last season) and Hearts beat Berwick Rangers, the clubs got together and have fixed the Final for Tuesday, January 3rd.

With this season's shield ties still to be played, the possibility of a second "derby" in the Spring of next year is also a possibility.

SOVENTRY CITY made a profit of 99,225 last term, compared with 163,039 for the previous year.



GRAHAM'S SAD HAT-TRICK

GEORGE GRAHAM, given his marching orders twice in a fortnight with Crystal Palace, had never been dismissed from the field before joining the Selhurst Park club.

But he's surely created an unenviable record at Palace by completing a hat-trick of sending-offs in just 11 League matches.

Graham was also sent-off at Port Vale towards the end of last season, and played only two more games before the term ended.

Fortunately, his dismissals this term have had happy endings. While he was still in the bath, Nick Chatterton scored the winner in a 2-1 success over Bolton on September 24.

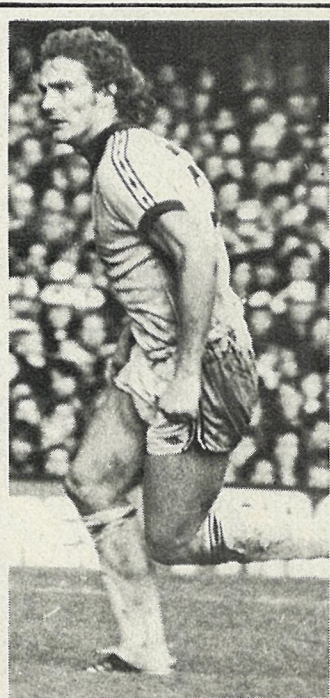
A fortnight later, Graham was again in the bath when Steve Perrin hit the clinching goal in a 2-0 triumph at Stoke.

THE MEASURE of Len Ashurst can be judged by the fact that within 24 hours of being sacked by Sheffield Wednesday he was on his feet resolutely facing a packed audience of Sheffield Bankers.

For over an hour he fulfilled an engagement for Bankers' Institute members. His performance surprised many and was deservedly given a rousing applause.

One moment he was entertaining with anecdotes of his early playing and managing days and the characters he had met along the way, the next moment he was philosophical: "Now I am no longer working 24-hours a day I will be able to wander through Sheffield for the first time and notice that the leaves fall in Autumn and the grass stops growing."

His answer to one particular question raised a few eyebrows. Asked which of all the great players he had known he would have liked to have put in the Wednesday team, he replied "George Best."



'Curtains' For Tony!

COLERAINE star Tony Hutton won't forget his club's Cup-Winners' Cup trip behind the Iron Curtain recently.

After the Bannside's 2-2 draw (they lost 3-6 on aggregate) with Locomotive Leipzig, defender Hutton accepted an invitation to see recorded highlights of the game on T.V., at the home of an East German family, but afterwards fell asleep and woke up to find Coleraine already homeward-bound without him.

Much to his relief, talented Tony eventually caught a flight to London and arrived back in Northern Ireland some 24 hours after his team-mates.

Mind you, Coleraine did set out rather early on their return home, leaving Leipzig at the somewhat unearthly hour of 5.30 a.m.!

TOMMY KELLY, the 34-year-old Bohemians midfielder, holds a unique record.

The Dublin postman has played in all 14 European games Bohemians have been involved in since they first qualified in 1970.

Kelly also played in Europe with Shamrock Rovers, his previous club.

WORLD CUP Final referee Jack Taylor, who is now a U.E.F.A. inspector, will play host to the Hungarian referee K. Patolai, when he arrives in England to take charge of the vital England v. Italy game at Wembley on November 16th.

Taylor explains: "When I refereed a European Cup-tie in Hungary four years ago I stayed at the home of Mr Patolai. I will now be repaying his generous hospitality."

RADIO 'GREENHOFF'



MAN. UNITED'S Brian Greenhoff (left) pictured with BBC Radio commentator Bryon Butler in the Press box during the recent Luxembourg v. England World Cup-tie.

Brian, who wasn't in the England team that night, gave his comments during the match. They could hardly have been complimentary on a very disappointing display by his international team-mates.

SPURS—AND PETER TAYLOR ARE HEADING FOR THE TOP

PETER TAYLOR, the Tottenham and England winger, has two main targets in his sights — to help take Spurs back into the First Division and win back his England place.

"The team's playing well and we might easily bounce back into the First Division," says the 24-year-old Taylor, who cost Tottenham £200,000 when signed from Crystal Palace in September last year.

Taylor, who won full caps against Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland while with Palace in May, 1976, failed to recapture his form as Spurs plunged into the Second Division.

"Last season was a bad one for me," admits Taylor. "But I'm, far happier with my form this term.

I've still got a way to go to reach my best, but that's what I'm aiming for. It would be just great to recapture my England place."

Taylor, who first came into prominence when Malcolm Allison, then Palace manager, paid Third Division Southend £120,000 for him in October, 1973, certainly knows what it is to have a big price tag around his neck.

The Southend-born Taylor had to face the humiliation of being substituted and then dropped in that first unhappy season with Spurs.

"That period was a terrible blow to my pride and confidence," recalls Taylor. "But I believe that is all behind me now."

DENIS BURNETT and Eoin Hand are the latest Shamrock Rovers signings.

Burnett, formerly with West Ham and Millwall finished his League career with Brighton. He now links up with his old pal from The Den, Eamon Dunphy.

Hand started his career at Swindon. He was transferred to Portsmouth in 1968 and after leaving Fratton Park emigrated to South Africa where he turned out for Acadia Shepherd and Lusitano.

He rejected a move back to Pompey to sign for Johnny Giles' Rovers' side.

ALVIN MARTIN, the 19-year-old West Ham defender, is hoping to prove Everton wrong.

The Bootle-born youngster says: "I was turned away from Everton when I was 16."

The former Bootle, Merseyside and Lancashire schoolboy player who has also won England Youth honours, first went to The Hammers as an apprentice and turned professional last July.

GLYN JONES, the 18-year-old Bristol Rovers goalkeeper who played such a blinder when making his League debut at Burnley in October, once had a spell with Aston Villa.

He was with them for two years on schoolboy forms and won Youth honours with them when they picked up the Blauw Wit trophy in 1974.

But it was in March this year that Rovers signed him as a professional. This followed a 17-month spell at Eastville.

His first senior team appearance had come in the Anglo-Scottish Cup in July when he faced Plymouth.

LEAGUE referee Alan Turvey has joined the injured list. He was in charge of the Ipswich v Birmingham City match at Portman Road on October 15th when he collided with Ipswich's Eric Gates.

Mr Turvey had to retire after 32 minutes, but later drove home to Basingstoke certain it was only a calf muscle injury. However, an examination discovered he had broken his right leg!

Ipswich boss Bobby Robson said: "It was an unfortunate accident. Mr Turvey collided with Gates who is small, but as tough as granite." Mr Turvey will not argue with that.

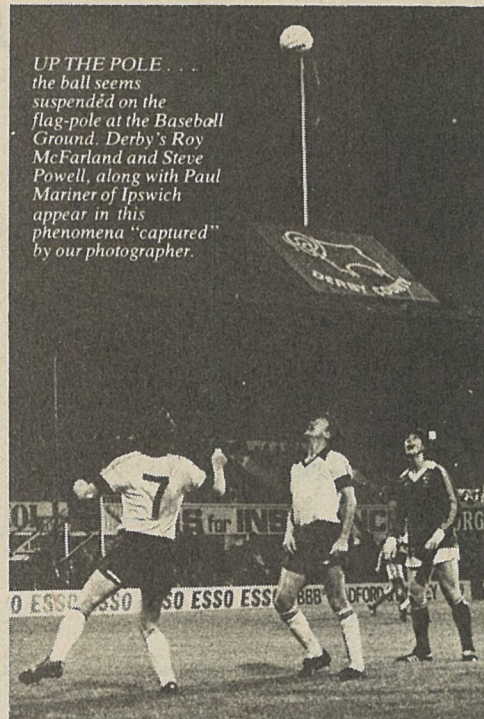
Tough for John

JOHN PEDDELTY, the former Ipswich defender who went to Plymouth as part of the Paul Mariner deal, has been advised to quit professional football.

He recently suffered a head injury at Sheffield Wednesday ... his fourth in two years.

"A tragedy for John and Plymouth," said Ipswich manager Bobby Robson.

UP THE POLE ... the ball seems suspended on the flag-pole at the Baseball Ground. Derby's Roy McFarland and Steve Powell, along with Paul Mariner of Ipswich appear in this phenomena "captured" by our photographer.



FORMER Peterborough boss Noel Cantwell and his wife, Maggie, opened their hospitality at Stamford in Lincolnshire at the end of October. It is called 'The Bull and Swan' ... and Noel reckons it offers a more secure future than football management. His personal spirits are high, anyhow ...

BORO'S 'MIGHTY MIDGET'

STAN CUMMINGS, the "mighty midget" of Middlesbrough, is still waiting patiently to show what a giant he can be at soccer.

The Sedgefield-born Cummings, who celebrates his 19th birthday on December 6, made his League debut in a 2-0 home defeat by Ipswich in November last year. His chance came after he had scored a sensational goal in a friendly against Hearts.

Former Boro manager Jack Charlton said of little Stan: "Fans love a character and that is exactly what he is."

A left-sided striker, the tricky little fellow joined Boro straight from school and, in fact, was still an apprentice when he made his debut in the First Division. He turned pro when he reached 18.

Stan is a great one for relaxing. "I like to take it easy after training hard in midweek," he says. "I just sit down and either read a book or watch TV and hardly ever get up at all to do anything."

DON'S TARGET

QUEENS Park Rangers striker Don Owens is poised to become the seventh Republic of Ireland striker to score 100 Football League goals.

Don started the season with 92 League goals to his credit.

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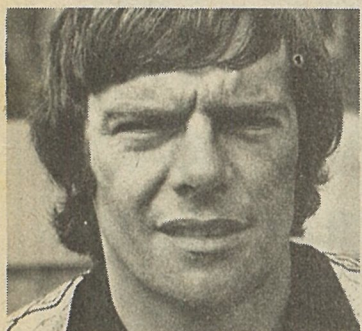
Uncle Jock

FORMER Rangers' player George Donaldson, a nephew of Ibrox manager Jock Wallace, has signed for Clydebank. He had a brief spell with Hearts. Should be an interesting confrontation when he meets his uncle in a Premier Division match.



THESE happy youngsters recently received certificates from Chesterfield goalkeeper Phil Tingay (right) for completing a Junior Soccer Coaching Course run during the summer by North-East Derbyshire County Council.

Over 150 youngsters took part in the course and were guests for the day of Chesterfield F.C. for their match against Exeter City.



WOLVES defender Frank Munro (above) has never hidden his admiration for Celtic. In fact, he has often been termed Celtic crazy!

That was why he didn't have to be asked twice to join the struggling Scottish Champions on a month's loan this season.

It was a dream come true for big Frank when he pulled on that famous green-and-white shirt and to complete his joy Celtic manager Jock Stein made him captain on his debut appearance against St Mirren at Parkhead.

However, things didn't go quite according to plan during the game. St Mirren, newly-promoted to the Premier, shocked Celtic 2-1 and, sad to say, Frank Munro scored their first goal.

He swung at a right-wing cross and sliced the ball past his own goalkeeper, Peter Latchford.



ARSENAL'S 'MYSTERY' MAN

MARK Heeley finds it difficult to believe he is an Arsenal player. Because 12 months ago he was packing his school bag for the last time and preparing to take the gamble of his life.

Heeley had nothing lined up career-wise — much to his father's concern — and talked of nothing but playing First Division football. His dreams seemed all the more hopeless when his local team, Peterborough, appeared to have

second thoughts before giving him a chance.

Twelve League games, three goals and a rapid rise to the type of form which attracts scouts saw 18-year-old Heeley on his way to Arsenal on a four-week trial.

Nothing has been the same since.

"My dad is not a footballer and I have two sisters but no brothers. So my decision to go for a footballing career did not exactly set my home alight," says Heeley.

"But I was determined to succeed and was lucky in that former Arsenal player John Barnwell was my manager at Peterborough.

"When clubs began asking about me, John encouraged me to go to Arsenal. He is still an 'Arsenal man' at heart and told me no other club would do as much to help me.

"He was right. I have never known anything like the place. Everything is done just right. Nothing is good enough unless it is absolutely correct. It is all a little

daunting at first, but I am proud to belong.

"At first I was put off by the number of top class players on the Arsenal staff. But now I am determined to become one of them."

At £50,000, Heeley is an unknown, a mystery to the majority of football fans. His slight-to-medium build and blond hair give him the look of a flying winger. But Heeley is a right-sided midfield player who wants to make his name at Highbury alongside Liam Brady and Graham Rix.

"I am playing on the wing at the moment. I do not enjoy it as much as playing in midfield, but I am content to play where I am put — for the time being.

"It does not do to be too modest. I know I have a lot to learn. But I also believe in myself.

"I enjoy watching Tony Currie in action. His balance, skill and vision are tremendous. He is a player I respect. It is not good to actually copy another player. But if there is one professional footballer I would like to copy it is Currie.

"I would, of course, want to be better than Currie! For starters I want to improve my heading and my left foot. Both require attention if I am to make it to the First Division . . . and stay there."

With that type of attitude, it is difficult to see how Mark Heeley can possibly fail.

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OF SUPER SAVERS

IN footballing terms most of the glamour is reserved for the in-form strikers. If they are scoring goals and their team is doing well, everybody loves them.

Schoolboys always want to play in the forward-line, and very often playground fights are about who is going to be Malcolm Macdonald or Mike Channon.

And to an extent, the situation still exists where the "unlucky" youngster who is not good enough to play up-front, ends up in goal.

Years ago that was ALWAYS the case, but not so much today.

There has been a marked change in attitudes towards goalkeepers, and in the professional world managers are now prepared to spend six-figure fees on a 'keeper in preference to a goalscorer.

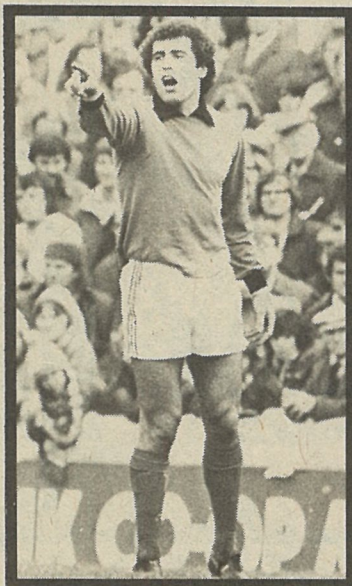
In 1962, when Gordon West transferred from Blackpool to Everton for £27,500, it was generally regarded the fee was a world record that would never be broken.

But 12 years later Peter Shilton was on the move from Leicester to Stoke City for an almost unbelievable £340,000.

As styles of play changed and Sir Alf Ramsey introduced the 4-4-2 system that won England the World Cup in 1966, the goalkeeper became an integral part of the team and was no longer regarded by any as football's "poor relation".

In September this year three goalkeepers changed clubs for fees totalling £550,000 — Peter Shilton from Stoke to Nottingham Forest for £270,000, John Middleton from Nottingham Forest to Derby for £130,000 and Paul Bradshaw from Blackburn to Wolves for £150,000. Further proof of how highly goalkeepers are regarded.

Shilton, who brought his individual transfer fees to £610,000 with his move to Nottingham Forest, has definite views on why



goalkeepers now cost so much.

"Goalkeeping isn't just about saving shots," he says. "In my opinion a 'keeper must have a strong personality and he must be able to read games well."

"Personality to help his defenders. Talk to them, keep them aware of what is going on around them, encourage them and instil confidence."

"And if he can also read a game the necessity to fling himself about is decreased."

"To be a good 'keeper you don't have to look spectacular because you can often assess situations and prevent the obvious from happening."

Shilton offers the example of goalkeepers acting as sweepers. How often do you see them running out of the penalty-area to boot a ball to safety and stop an oncoming forward? It isn't spectacular and it probably doesn't

have the crowd on their feet, but it is effective.

Gordon West, ex-Everton and England goalkeeper, believes Britain now has the best set of goalkeepers in the world.

"There isn't a bad 'keeper in the English First Division," he says. "And they are streets ahead of the Continentals."

"Foreign goalkeepers are showmen, playing to a crowd. I have seen a Continental 'keeper make a save with his legs as high as the bar. You never see a British 'keeper doing that."

Of course, that all comes down to getting the angles right.

"British 'keepers are red-hot at this," says West. "They know how to give a forward the bare minimum to shoot at. When an opponent shoots wide people blame him for missing, but he has been left with virtually nothing to shoot at. It's great goalkeeping."

Remember Jan Tomaszewski who was in goal for Poland the night England were knocked out of the 1974 World Cup?

George Wood (below) moved from Blackpool to Everton this season. Two clubs have spent around £610,000 for the services of Peter Shilton (below, left).

The Press slaughtered Brian Clough for calling him a clown. But Clough was right. Tomaszewski made a number of positional errors, but the ball seemed to bounce off him to safety every time. Luck was on his side.

George Wood followed in West's footsteps when he left Blackpool to join Everton, but this time the fee was £140,000.

He believes goalkeepers' transfer fees have always been too small.

"A good 'keeper can save a team between ten and 12 points a season and that can mean the difference between mid-table mediocrity or winning the Championship."

"That is one of the main reasons why our transfer fees have risen. Managers are now aware of our value."

Tony Waddington, the former Stoke manager, was one of the first to appreciate that fact when he signed Shilton from Leicester in 1974. He can claim a lot of credit for the change in attitudes.

The following chart shows how the price of goalkeepers has risen. The list of goalkeepers who have cost more than £30,000 in the last ten years includes:

Goalkeeper	Club from	Club joining	Fee	Date
*Gordon Banks	Leicester	Stoke City	£55,000	17.4.67
Peter Springett	Q.P.R.	Sheffield Wed.	£40,000	22.5.67
*Bobby Ferguson	Kilmarnock	West Ham	£65,000	2.6.67
Jim Cumbes	Tranmere	West Brom	£35,000	13.8.69
John Phillips	Shrewsbury	Aston Villa	£35,000	15.10.69
Jim Cumbes	West Brom	Aston Villa	£35,000	25.11.71
Alan Stevenson	Chesterfield	Burnley	£50,000	19.1.72
*David Lawson	Huddersfield	Everton	£80,000	5.6.72
**Gary Sprake	Leeds United	Birmingham C.	£100,000	1.10.73
Keith MacRae	Motherwell	Manchester C.	£100,000	17.10.73
Gary Pierce	Huddersfield	Wolves	£45,000	27.7.73
*Peter Shilton	Leicester	Stoke City	£340,000	21.11.74
Jim Brown	Chesterfield	Sheffield U.	£60,000	14.3.74
Brian Parker	Crewe	Arsenal	£40,000	20.8.75
Bryan King	Millwall	Coventry C.	£57,000	7.8.75
John Burridge	Blackpool	Aston Villa	£100,000	24.9.75
Roger Jones	Blackburn	Newcastle	£100,000	8.3.76
Barry Siddall	Bolton	Sunderland	£90,000	29.9.76
Gerry Peyton	Burnley	Fulham	£40,000	2.12.76
Steve Hardwick	Chesterfield	Newcastle	£80,000	29.12.76
Pat Jennings	Spurs	Arsenal	£40,000	11.8.77
Jimmy Rimmer	Arsenal	Aston Villa	£70,000	11.8.77
George Wood	Blackpool	Everton	£140,000	18.8.77
Peter Shilton	Stoke City	Nottm. Forest	£270,000	13.9.77
John Middleton	Nottm. Forest	Derby Co.	£130,000	23.9.77
Paul Bradshaw	Blackburn	+ Archie Gemmill Wolves	£150,000	29.9.77

*British record for a goalkeeper.

**British record and the first goalkeeper to cost £100,000.

'MY GREATEST

AMONGST my favourite reading these days are letters from readers. They raise so many interesting points, it's difficult picking out which to answer in my column.

I'll open with one I received immediately after the Liverpool/Chelsea League match on October 8th, from Peter Jones, who describes himself as a life-long supporter of the Stamford Bridge club, but who has always regarded we Anfield lads as his second favourites because his father hails from Merseyside.

Peter tells me he and his father managed to get tickets for the game, which ended in a 2-0 win for Liverpool, and feels it would have been a draw but for me.

"Your two saves — one with your fists to deflect a Butch Wilkins' blockbuster and another with your legs when Ian Britton looked clear through — robbed Chelsea of a point. Many reporters regarded the first save as your best-ever. Would you give it that distinction?"

Certainly it was one of my best, Peter, though not *the* best. It was a reflex save. I didn't have time to think about it. Butch ran in from one side of the penalty-box and let fly on the run. The ball took a deflection from our left-back Joey Jones and I just flung myself to my right and double-fisted it away.

As a consequence, I reported for England duty the following day with my right-hand badly swollen. An X-ray revealed no broken bones — the swelling was caused by ruptured blood vessels — but the injury almost cost me my place against Luxembourg.

I consider my greatest save — the one which I chose to put in my book "Clemence on Goalkeeping" — to be the one I made from Bob Latchford, the Everton striker, in the 72nd minute of a local derby at Goodison Park, on September 27th, 1975.

I was drawn yards out of goal, near the edge of one side of the penalty-area, and their David Jones took the ball round me and knocked a centre across to Latchford. Somehow I sprinted back and made what was later described as "a

fantastic save from Bob's header".

His remark after the match was a testimony I'll never forget: "I just couldn't believe it... it was incredible, one of the best saves I have ever seen."

The best save I've seen was from Gordon Banks in England's match with Brazil in the 1970 World Cup Finals in Mexico. Gordon was on one side of the goal when the fabulous Brazilian, Pele, headed down to the foot of the opposite post.

It had "goal" written all over it, until Gordon launched himself across at full-stretch to tip the ball around the post.

It's going to be a long time, if ever, that save is surpassed!

Jim Montgomery, in goal for Sunderland in the 1973 F.A. Cup Final against Leeds United at Wembley, made a save that almost matched Gordon's when he deflected a mighty shot from Peter Lorimer on to the crossbar and then followed up with a save from Trevor Cherry.

And that conveniently brings me

to a query from Graham Harmon of West Drayton, who wants to know whom I regard as having the most powerful, hardest-to-hold shot in the First Division.

At one time my vote would have gone to Peter Lorimer, but our Jimmy Case is now the mightiest striker of the ball in my opinion.

A perfect illustration of his firepower was in last season's F.A. Cup tournament when against Oldham he belted the ball like a rocket clean over their 'keeper's head and into the net from about 25 yards out.

It travelled so fast, the 'keeper did not even have time to raise his hands.

I try not to face Jimmy in training, I have that much respect for his

kicking.

Many young 'keepers ask me for advice, such as Martin Pardoe of St. Austell, Cornwall. "When do you think it necessary to wear gloves? And what kind do you prefer?"

I use them only when it's wet, Martin, and then they have to be thin, cotton ones to enable me to get the feel of the ball.

I've tried using thick ones, but I'm not happy with them. And yet Sepp Maier — the West German number one who has won the greatest honours in the game, including a World Cup winners' medal — wears gloves that resemble enormous flippers.

I suppose the best thing is to experiment and find out which type suits you.

RAY CLEMENCE talking soccer



'Jimmy Case has the mightiest shot in England'

"Which are the most promising young 'keepers in the First?" is the tricky question fired at me by Stuart Wood from Canterbury in Kent.

The two England Under-21's — John Middleton of Derby County and Paul Bradshaw of Wolves. Both have been brought to these clubs during this season to strengthen them in their battles to hold on to places in the First Division.

I've known John from way back, as we both lived in the same town, Skegness, attended the same school, and were coached by the same sportsmaster.

Derby's results have improved since John was bought from Nottingham Forest by the new manager at the Baseball Ground, Tommy Docherty.

It's doubly hard on a new man when he has to establish himself in a struggling side, an experience John shares with Paul Bradshaw, who joined promoted side Wolves from Second Division Blackburn Rovers.

I think Paul benefited from training with England last season. He certainly impressed me with his

Gunner's glory

As an Arsenal supporter, I'd like to know their line-up when they beat Anderlecht in the Fairs Cup Final in 1970.

**MARK WORSICK,
PRESTON**

● It was a two-legged affair, of course, Mark — and Arsenal brilliantly fought back to win the home second-leg 3-0 after going down 1-3 in Belgium.

The team was the same in both matches — Wilson, Storey, McNab, Kelly, McLintock, Simpson, Armstrong, Sammels, Radford, Graham, and George.

Kennedy, who came on as sub for George, scored for Arsenal in Belgium; Kelly, Radford, and Sammels finishing it off at home.

Wednesday Bushwhacked!

Can you tell me the ten scorers, the date, and the attendance when Q.P.R. beat Sheffield Wednesday 8-2 in the League Cup a few years back?

**TOMMY TUPMAN,
MANCHESTER**

● It was a Third Round tie at Loftus Road on 6th November, 1973, Tommy, and watched by a crowd of 16,043.

Mick Leach (two), Don Givens (two), Gerry Francis, and Stan Bowles — helped by own-goals from Danny Cameron and Jimmy Mullen — got Rangers' eight. Ken Knighton and Mick Prendergast replied for Wednesday.

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Hard to beat

Can you tell me the least number of times a side has been defeated in Football League games in a single season?

**NAIZ ALI EHSAN,
IRAQ**

● Leeds take that honour, Naiz — they lost only two games in winning the League title in 1968-69.

And that is the best for any Division — not just the First — since they contained at least 22 clubs.

Leeds also hold the record for the Second Division — three defeats in 1963-64.

Second-best record for the First is held by pre-War Arsenal — who lost only four of their 42 League games in 1930-31.

SAVE...

ability to learn quickly.

Both have the ideal build for the job and the necessary skills. All they lack is experience. They'll soon be challenging Peter Shilton and I for places in the senior squad.

"Last season there were many suggestions on how to increase the number of goals scored to provide more entertainment for fans. One was the goalmouths should be made wider. What is your reaction to that?"

games, never to return.

I dreaded this happening to me. Fortunately, I became more and more confident and established myself as an England player.

Well, I'm running out of space again. I've only room left to preview this Saturday's League match, against Aston Villa at Anfield.

We've a score to settle with the Villans for that hefty defeat they inflicted on us last time we played them — at Villa Park in December,



'Gordon Banks pulled off the best save I've ever seen'



My immediate one was unprintable, Frank Markham of Douglas, Isle of Man. If there was a goalkeepers' union, I'm sure we'd vote unanimously to come out on strike if ever there was the threat to make goals wider.

Our task is difficult enough. The remedy for the shortage of goals is simply for forwards to become more accurate!

Many readers have asked for details of my England debut. It was against Wales at Cardiff in a World Cup Qualifying match in November, 1972. I was very nervous, aware that football at international level is very different from that at club level in many respects.

But I came through my baptism pleased with my performance. I kept a clean sheet, while Colin Bell scored our only and winning goal.

So many players have got off to a bad start playing for their countries, failed to reproduce club form, and been discarded after only a few

1976, when I picked the ball out of our net five times while my opposite number, Jake Findlay, only suffered that once.

So far Villa haven't done as well as I expected, probably because new signings have taken time to settle down, but recently their results have improved.

By Christmas they'll be challenging for the Championship with the other front-runners.

Andy Gray, John Deehan and Brian Little are the best front-three in the game at the moment.

All the signs point to a great game. Too bad Villa are set for that disappointing "pointless" drive back home!

Ray Clemence

Unlucky 13

Is it true that about 50 years ago a Football League match had a gate of under three-figures?

KEVIN NAAN, LEICESTER

● Quite true, Kevin — and your local club were involved in it!

It was a Division Two game between Stockport County and Leicester City on 7th May, 1921 — and played at massive Old Trafford because Stockport's own ground was then closed under suspension.

Precisely 13 people paid to see the game — so, had the fans invaded the field, they'd have been well outnumbered by players!

SHORT PASSES

● Tom Finney scored 187 goals in 431 League games for Preston (1946 to 1960), and 30 goals in 76 full internationals for England.

(PAUL WILLOCK, Hinckley)

● The Football League kicked-off in 1888; the Scottish League in 1890; the F.A. Cup in 1871; and the Scottish Cup in 1873.

(ROBERT BECKWITH, Harlow)

Goal-shy City

Which club has played the most Football League games without scoring a single goal?

JUSTIN STEVENS, CHEPSTOW

● Coventry hold that unenviable record, Justin.

After losing 1-2 to Leicester on 4th October, 1919, they didn't score another Second Division goal until they beat Stoke 3-2 on Christmas Day.

In-between, goal-shy Coventry played 11 games without scoring.

In 1923-24, incidentally, Exeter played 13 consecutive away Third Division (South) games without scoring; and, in 1971-72, Mansfield failed to score in their first nine home Third Division games.

Yankee Geoff

What happened to Geoff Barnett, who played in goal for Arsenal in the 1972 F.A. Cup Final?

KEVIN PERT, KENT

● Barnett's contract with Arsenal was cancelled by mutual consent in February, 1976, Kevin.

These last two summers he's been playing for Minnesota Kicks in the North American Soccer League.

Our Expert would like to point out that although all letters are read, he can only reply to published questions because of shortage of time.

SHOOT: You're a controversial character in Britain. Every time a Lorenzo team plays one from Britain, there's trouble. Our Press says you're conducting a personal vendetta against the British, and your teams have quite a reputation for violence.

LORENZO: Well, I was the Argentina manager in 1966 when Rattin was sent-off, but that was hardly my fault.

SHOOT: And that Lazio v Arsenal brawl in 1970, when you were boss of the Italian side?

LORENZO: Oh, that was nothing.

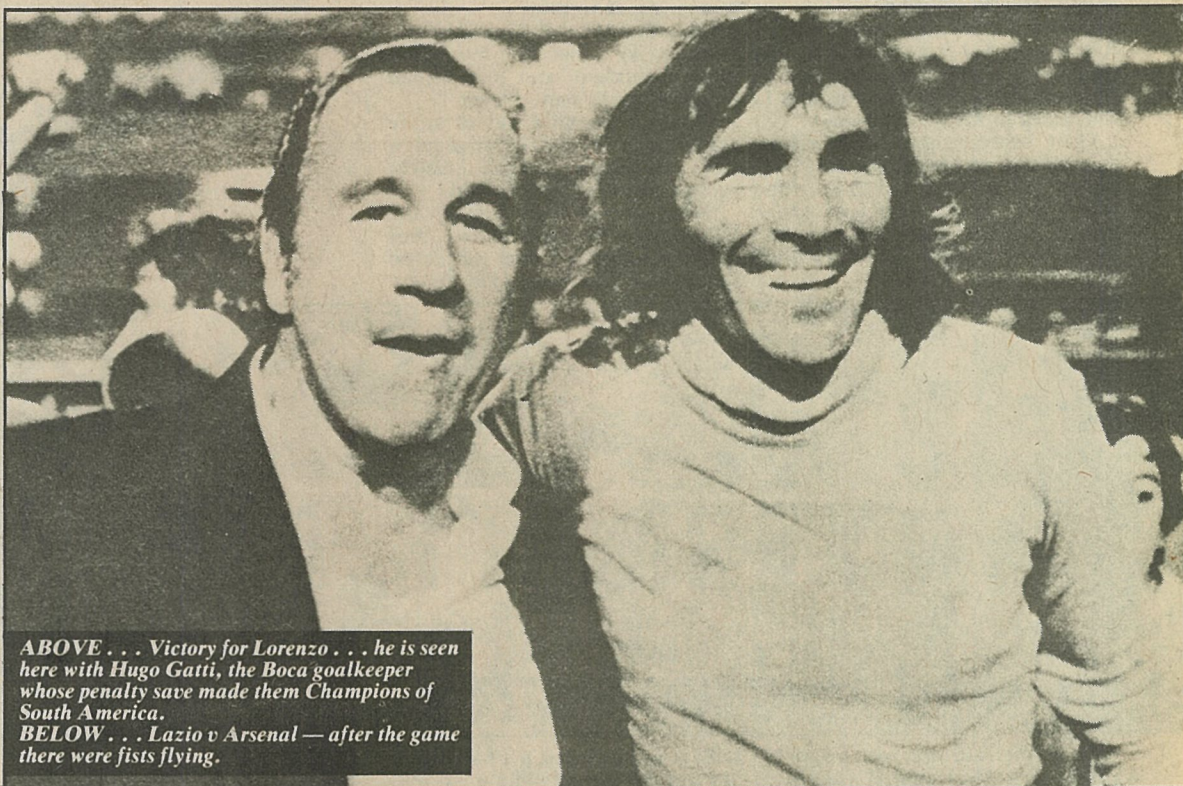
SHOOT: And Celtic v Atlético Madrid in the 1973-74 European Cup Semi-Finals, when U.E.F.A. suspended six of your players?

LORENZO: Hmmm. Yes, that was a hard game. But look, British teams are no angels, either. I mean every week we read about violence or disturbances in the English League. I think a lot of this stems from a profound difference in temperament. In Britain, everyone's accustomed to . . . what shall I say? . . . a robust style of play. To players from other countries, this style can appear to be extremely violent. All those bone-crunching tackles for what you call "50-50 balls". The Celtic v Atlético Madrid game could have ended very differently if it hadn't been ruined by the Turkish referee. He was unbelievable. There were no problems in the return-leg in Madrid. Nor were there any problems when we played Bayern Munich twice in the Final. As for



JUAN CARLOS LORENZO

Manager of crack Argentinian club Boca Juniors



ABOVE . . . Victory for Lorenzo . . . he is seen here with Hugo Gatti, the Boca goalkeeper whose penalty save made them Champions of South America.

BELOW . . . Lazio v Arsenal — after the game there were fists flying.

THE HARD-MAN OF WORLD SOCCER!

the Lazio-Arsenal affair, there were no problems on the pitch at all. What happened was the Arsenal players knocked back huge quantities of wine and whisky at the banquet after the match, and began to insult the Italians. Two of my players, Wilson and Chinaglia (who's now with the Cosmos in New York) speak good English and understood every word. They took so much and no more, and a big fight started. I was there with my wife and I was very embarrassed by the whole thing. The result of all this is I've got a reputation for producing violent teams. The last time I went to England, one of the papers published a cartoon showing Lorenzo driving into London wearing a steel helmet and commanding a Nazi tank!

SHOOT: We've heard your Boca Juniors are a pretty tough outfit, too.

LORENZO: No, that's not true. What I would say is Boca are the most European side in South America.

SHOOT: What do you mean?

LORENZO: I think the development of South American football has been retarded because of the great individual players in that



Brazil team of 1970 — Pelé, Gerson, Tostão, Jairzinho, Rivelino. The perfection of their individual skills blinded South American players to the necessity of establishing a co-ordinated team effort. So the South American game still relies on short-passing and flashes of individual skill. The European

game has developed much more and now has precision in the speedy use of short and long balls. I'd say at the moment South American football is in a stage of transition towards a European style. We can't for the moment hope to play anything like Holland's "total football" because the

change to this style is a slow process of education beginning with today's schoolboys. We must develop the physical strength needed for total football. I'm the leading exponent in South America of what you could call "Euro-American" football. I've been in football since 1949 and I've studied the evolution of the game very thoroughly, and I believe the European style is superior. But it's difficult to go to Argentina and change their style of play overnight.

SHOOT: When you took over as manager of Boca you immediately sold a lot of established stars, and bought new players. Were you consciously looking for players who could adapt to a European style of play?

LORENZO: Exactly. When I joined Boca, I changed a few players because I wanted to introduce a different mental approach to the game. This was something new to the Argentinian fans and I immediately became a highly controversial character.

SHOOT: Boca play a counter-attacking game, using a 4-4-2 formation, and your favourite result seems to be 1-0. How do the Boca

fans react to this style of play?
LORENZO: For the first four months, the fans were undecided. Some said the team wasn't entertaining enough. But when we won the Argentinian "Double" last year everyone became convinced the new style is more positive in terms of results.

SHOOT: This year Boca have had a lot of success in the Copa Libertadores — the South American equivalent of the European Cup. You're the only manager who's taken teams to the Final of both the European Cup and the Copa Libertadores. How do the two competitions compare?

LORENZO: At the moment, I'd say the European Cup is superior. The Copa Libertadores is still played at a slow pace with the emphasis on individual skills. By contrast, the European Cup is dominated by the "total football" of the Germans,



Controversy as Lorenzo's Atlético Madrid knock Celtic out of the European Cup.

SHOOT: To prepare the team for the 1966 World Cup, wasn't it?

LORENZO: That's right. Forty-five days to prepare a World Cup team. It's better that way. Short spells don't tire you out. You can train intensively for 45 days with no problems and without wearing yourselves out.

SHOOT: Do you prefer to manage a club side or a national team?

LORENZO: I prefer working with a club side. Being national team manager is very dangerous. I took the Argentina side to London in 1966 and now all the furore about Rattin has died down, people are beginning to admit it was a good side.

SHOOT: During some of Argentina's matches in June, sections of the crowd were chanting "Lorenzo, Lorenzo".

LORENZO: I think this is because a lot of Argentinians support my methods and my "new" approach to the game. They saw the Argentina team was sticking to the traditional methods, and it didn't perform too well against European opposition. But let's not make too much of this — remember those games were played in Boca's Bombonera Stadium and naturally a lot of the spectators were Boca fans who like my methods. I think the national team is being well-directed.

SHOOT: The sendings-off of Bertoni and Pernia during the England and Scotland games didn't do much to improve relations between Argentina and Britain. Will there be a lot of needle in the World Cup matches?

LORENZO: Yes, at the moment our footballing relationship is bad. People still remember 1966, and Argentinian people are angry with Britain about the Falkland Islands affair. What people in both countries must do is to forget these things and concentrate on football.



LEFT . . . Action from the Copa Libertadores Final Boca v Cruzeiro.

RIGHT . . . Argentina captain Rattin can't believe he's been sent-off at Wembley in 1966.

the Dutch, the English, the Czechs and so on. It's an all-action football with a superior combination of skill, strength and speed. The two competitions are very different.

SHOOT: How far do you think Boca Juniors would get in the European Cup?

LORENZO: With our current players I think we could reach the Semi-Finals. But then, if we had to play a team like the Ajax side of the early 70's, my players simply wouldn't be able to stand the pace. This would be a good lesson for them — they'd realise how hard you have to work in training to reach that sort of level.

SHOOT: Why can't South American players develop the same level of physical fitness as their European counterparts?

LORENZO: I think it's because the European has a greater capacity for suffering and accepting physical discomfort. Since the last War, Europeans seem to have been born with a greater sense of self-sacrifice and a willingness to work hard to earn a decent living. In terms of football, this means European players are more willing to sweat out a hard session in the gym, to train more than once a day and to push themselves to the limits in an effort to improve. The

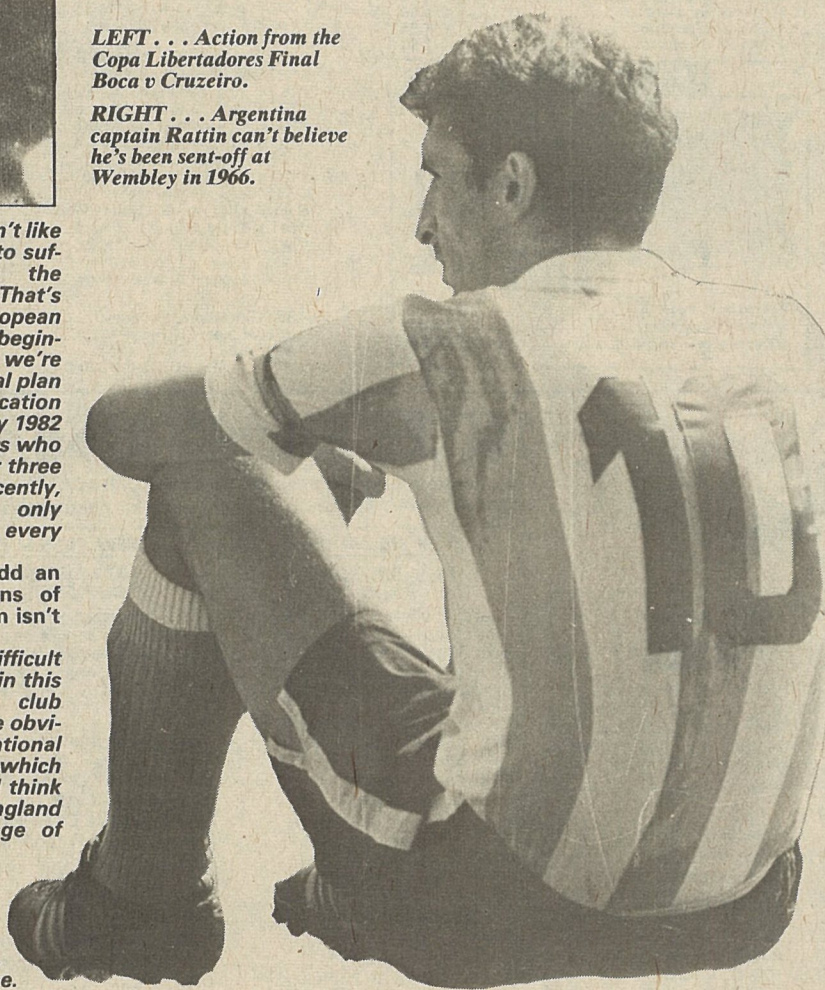
South American player doesn't like discomfort. He doesn't like to suffer. He's content with the minimum necessary effort. That's why he lags behind the European as an athlete. But things are beginning to change. In Argentina we're soon going to have a national plan for improving physical education in the schools, and I think by 1982 we could have young players who are prepared to train two or three times a day. Until quite recently, Argentinian players have only been prepared to train once every three days!

SHOOT: Do you think it odd an English club are Champions of Europe yet the England team isn't getting good results?

LORENZO: Yes. It's always difficult to run a national team, but in this case England have the club Champions of Europe, so the obvious thing was to base the national side on Liverpool players, which Ron Greenwood has done. I think things will improve for England now there's been a change of manager.

SHOOT: You've had some short spells as boss of the Argentina team, haven't you?

LORENZO: Short spells, yes. Forty five days to be precise.



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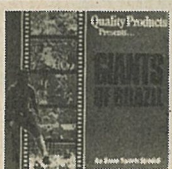
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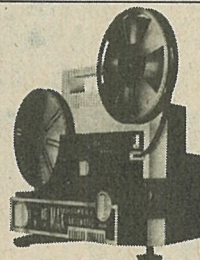
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'EARLY' FINAL WHISTLE

In the first World Cup tournament in 1930, Argentina were leading France 1-0 with a goal scored nine minutes from time and the French were going all-out for an equaliser when the referee signalled time in the 84th minute. Indeed, at that moment the French were bearing down on the Argentinian goal in a most promising fashion. The Argentinian players and their supporters naturally went mad with delight, but they were outnumbered by the home Uruguayan crowd who strongly favoured France and an explosive situation developed.

While the protesting French players surrounded the Brazilian referee, mounted police moved in to restore order. Then, after consulting his linesmen, the referee admitted his error, but it took 15 minutes to restart the game after clearing the pitch and persuading the Argentinians to return from their dressing-room. As far as the French were concerned it was to no avail because they could not score in those final six minutes.

Italy's victorious World Cup-winning side of 1938.



The crowd invasion which resulted in Aston Villa being banned from the F.A. Cup in 1888.

VILLA DISMISSED

One of the earliest bouts of Cup fever was aroused in the Midlands when Aston Villa first won the F.A. Cup in 1887 and reached a pitch when they won through the first four rounds the following season and were then drawn at home to meet another of the most powerful teams in the country — Preston North End.

There were fantastic scenes at the Wellington Road Ground, Perry Barr, on January 7th, 1888, when the attendance was given at 27,000 but was probably a lot more. It was said that as much as ten shillings (50p) was charged for some seats, a previously unheard-of amount for a football match, and many people paid up to half a crown (12½p) to gain a vantage point by standing on one of the buses or lorries dotted around the ground.

Here again there was no terracing and those at the back only saw the ball when it was in the air. The crowd soon broke on to the pitch and play was chaotic as several times it had to be halted while police and mounted Hussars from the Great Brook Street Barracks pressed the crowd back. Halfway through the game was declared a 'friendly', and at the end Preston had won 3-1 which was just as well because the F.A. subsequently dismissed Villa from the competition for failing to take adequate precautions to control the crowd.

PLAY STOPPED

The sensation of the 1973-74 season arose out of the Newcastle United v. Nottingham Forest Sixth Round F.A. Cup-tie which Newcastle won 4-3. When Forest scored with a penalty to put them 3-1 ahead and Newcastle's Pat Howard was ordered off, the crowd invaded the pitch.

The referee took the teams off and there

was an eight-minute break before play could be resumed. Forest, not surprisingly, lost their composure and were beaten 4-3. Newcastle went into the draw for the Semi-Finals but Nottingham Forest lodged a formal complaint and the F.A. annulled the result and ordered the tie to be replayed on a neutral ground. Newcastle subsequently won 1-0 in a second replay at Goodison Park after the first meeting there had resulted in a goalless draw.

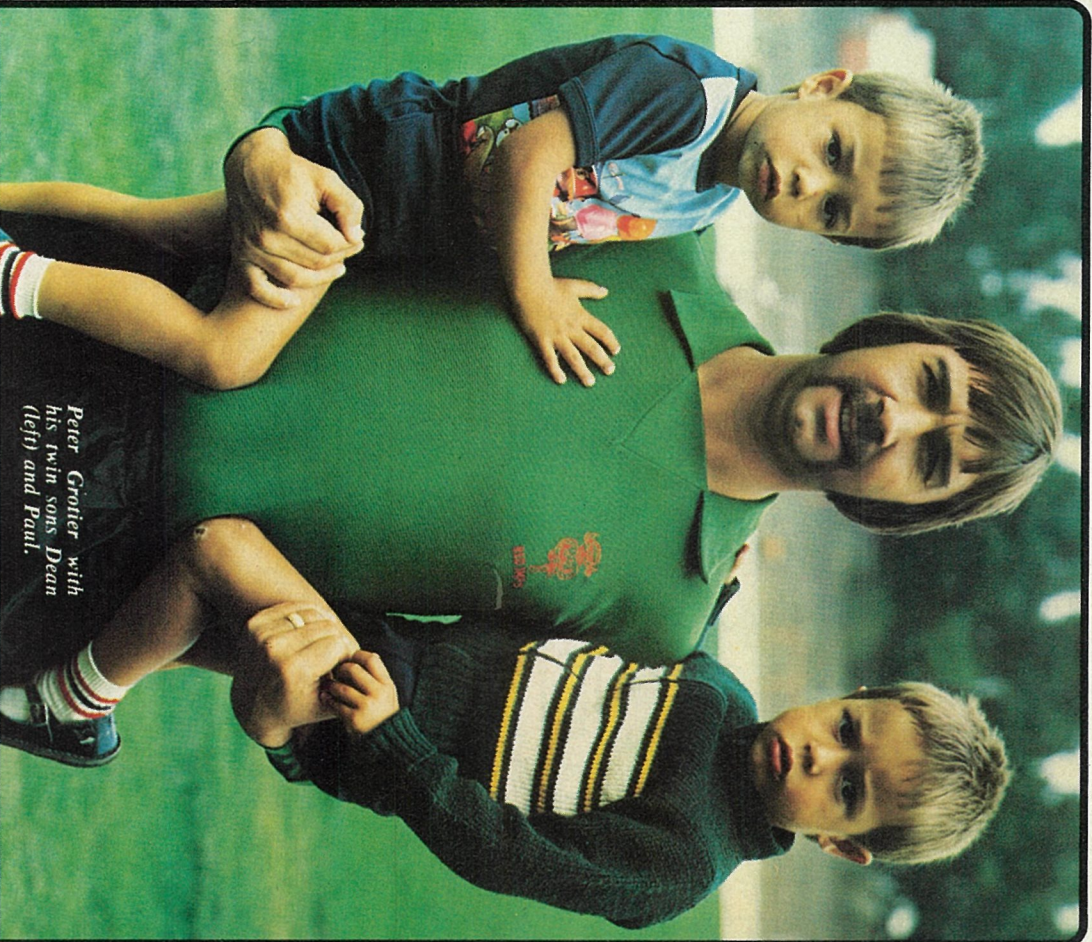
SPURS FINED

In February, 1904, a Second Round (modern equivalent Fifth Round) F.A. Cup-tie between Tottenham Hotspur and Aston Villa at White Hart Lane had to be abandoned at half-time when the crowd invaded the pitch. The situation turned nasty when the crowd realised there would be no more play and strong action was taken by the police to prevent a riot.

To accommodate the extra large crowd the Tottenham club had provided additional seating inside the railings around the pitch and it was these spectators moving on to the pitch that led the invasion. The F.A. ordered the game to be replayed on the Villa ground and fined Spurs £350 to be distributed among London charities. However, Tottenham who had been losing 1-0 at the time of abandonment, won the replay 1-0.

MATCH ABANDONED

When Manchester United lost to local rivals City 1-0 at Old Trafford on April 27, 1974, it meant relegation to the Second Division for United. Five minutes from time the crowd invaded the pitch and the referee was forced to abandon the match. Later the result was allowed to stand. The City goal was scored by former United favourite Denis Law.



Peter Grother with his twin sons Dean (left) and Paul.

FANS BUY 'KEEPER

AT the start of the 1974-75 season, West Ham loaned their number two goalkeeper Peter Grother to Lincoln City for a month.

After that period the club were anxious to buy him but could not afford the £20,000 asking price.

An advert appeared in a local evening paper stating cash had to be raised if Peter was to stay at Lincoln. It was an appeal which brought an incredible response.

Says Grother: "It seemed the whole of Lincoln wanted me and every one was deter-

mined a deal would be done with The

Hammers. "Before I knew what was happening, all sorts of schemes were put into operation, all with the same aim — to get the required amount needed to sign me.

"The fans worked like fury. The social side of life in Lincoln boomed and as a result £7,000 was collected. The club put all they could into the kitty — around £13,000 — and West Ham's asking fee of approximately £20,000 was met."

A STORY-BOOK GOAL

DAVID FAIRCLOUGH
(Liverpool)



IT was mid-March, 1977, and Liverpool were hell-bent for the "impossible" Treble.

They were top of the League, and going well in the F.A. Cup. But St.-Etienne — the previous season's rather unlucky beaten Finalists — were proving a little awkward in the European Cup.

It was the vital second-leg of the Quarter-Final, and with 17 minutes to go the Frenchmen — who'd already won the first-leg 1-0 — were only trailing 1-2 at Anfield.

That meant 2-2 on aggregate — BUT with St.-Etienne having scored what could turn out to be the decisive away goal.

Roared on by the Kop, David Fairclough — who hadn't earned the admiring nickname of "Super-Sub" without good reason — was sent out by manager Bob Paisley.

It would have been marvellous had he

scored with his very first kick, but the red-haired, red-shirted 20-year-old needed wait only another 11 minutes before giving this gripping Euro tie its story-book climax.

Ray Kennedy laid on a perfectly flighted through-ball, and young Fairclough was in like lightning to do the rest for a winning 3-2 aggregate.

Three days later, he similarly turned Liverpool's F.A. Cup Quarter-Final against Middlesbrough with a goal good enough to grace Wembley — but, ironically, it was in the Finals he missed-out both times.

At Wembley, he wasn't even the sub — let alone "Super-Sub" — and he didn't get used in the European Final, either.

But that his time will come — and a full 90 minutes of it per game — no one now seriously doubts.

ALAN'S 'ROUGH' PATCH

THE headlines on Friday September 2 this year made grim reading for Scotland manager Ally MacLeod. His number one goalkeeper, Alan Rough, was being left out of the Partick Thistle team for a second successive game.

It was sensational news all right. Scotland's friendly with East Germany in Berlin was only five days away.

Could MacLeod risk playing Rough in such an important match when he was lacking competitive match practice or would it mean an international debut for second choice David Stewart of Leeds?

MacLeod chose Stewart and surprised no one. Poor Rough, meanwhile, had been deprived of his place by the actions of his manager at Firhill, Bertie Auld.

Auld claimed 'Rough's attitude had been all wrong. But the Thistle and Scotland star counter-punched by saying: "These allegations are complete and utter nonsense. I am disappointed and annoyed."

However, it all ended happily for Rough. He regained his first team place for Thistle — and helped Scotland beat Czechoslovakia at Hampden in a vital World Cup tie three weeks later, and when his country qualified for Argentina in their 2-0 win v. Wales at Anfield.



ALAN ROUGH
(Partick Thistle)

ROY GREENWOOD
(Sunderland)



BEARDED—BANNED!

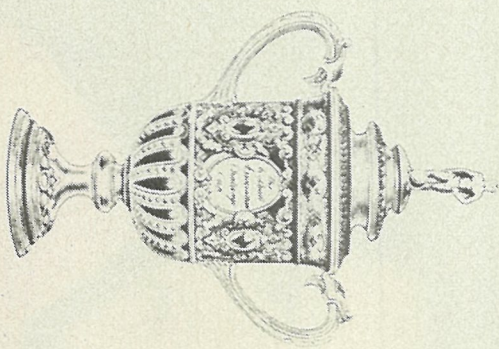
IT'S a soccer tradition . . . every year, as the players report back for pre-season training, photographers are invited along to take up-to-date team-pictures.

Yet in 1976 the then-Sunderland manager Bob Stokoe caused a sensation by banning forward Roy Greenwood from the official team picture.

Greenwood's "offence"? He had a beard! Stokoe thought this was scruffy and would not be suitable for the team group — so Greenwood was out! The photographers took their team-pictures . . . without Roy!

Commented Roy: "I don't care what the manager says. I keep it trimmed and think it suits me."

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The original F.A. Cup (above, left) was stolen from a shop in Birmingham. A £10 reward was offered (above, right) but it was never recovered.

GIANT-KILLING WALSALL

Talk of Cup giant-killing to anyone old enough to remember the 1930's and they are sure to recall what is still considered by many to have been the greatest Cup shock of all — Walsall's 2-0 win over mighty Arsenal when the London club was at the height of their power. The date was January 14th, 1933, and to appreciate the sensation the football world received that day one must recall in the previous three seasons Arsenal had appeared in two F.A. Cup Finals (winning once) as well as winning the League Championship one year and finishing runners-up the next. Indeed, they were on their way to another Championship win in this 1933-34 campaign.

Admittedly, The Gunners were not at full strength at Walsall but manager Herbert Chapman appeared to be not too concerned about fielding his strongest possible side as victory seemed only a formality.

As it was Walsall really tore into their visitors and played with such vigour several of their side were fortunate not to have been ordered-off. Arsenal got ten free-kicks in one ten-minute spell of robust play.

It was no score at half-time but while Arsenal missed their chances Walsall went on to score twice in the second-half through Gilbert Alsop and a penalty by Bill Sheppard after Arsenal full-back Tommy Black had been ordered-off.

SHOPLIFTED

The footballing fraternity were rocked by the news on September 12th, 1895 — the F.A. Cup had been stolen! This was the original trophy that had been in existence since 1872 and had been won in 1895 by Aston Villa who had loaned it to William Shillcock, a football and football boot manufacturer of Newton Row, Birmingham, to place on display in the firm's shop window. It was last seen in the window at about 9.30 pm on September 11th but was never seen again afterwards.

The trophy was well insured so there was no financial loss, but the theft of such a famous emblem of victory was a real blow to all football lovers. An offer of £10 reward, a lot of money in those days, brought forth no information as to the trophy's whereabouts and Aston Villa were fined £25 by the F.A. Fortunately, the silversmiths were able to make an exact replica of the stolen Cup because of the existence of replicas of the original which had been presented to Wolverhampton Wanderers, the winners in 1893, by that club's chairman. The new trophy, which cost £25, was eventually presented to Lord Kinaird on his completing 21 years as President of the F.A., and the present trophy is the third to be presented for this competition.

Disasters

MUNICH TRAGEDY

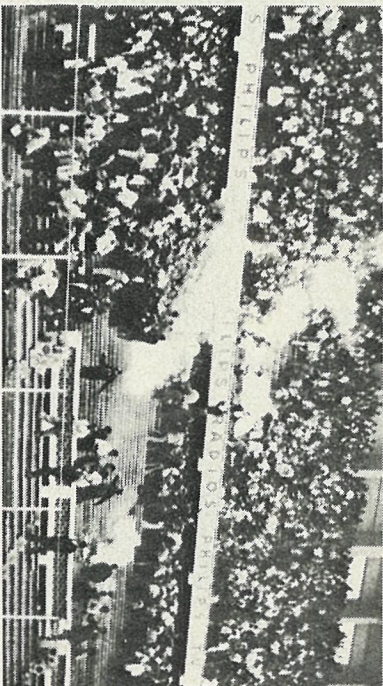
The Munich disaster of February 6th, 1958, was an earth shattering sensation which even after the passage of nearly 20 years still seems too terrible to contemplate, because in that crashing aircraft we lost the cream of one of the country's finest teams — Manchester United. They were on their way back from Belgrade where they had just qualified for the Semi-Finals of the European Cup by holding Red Star to a 3-3 draw, having already beaten the Yugoslavs 2-1 at Old Trafford.

The aircraft bringing them home landed to refuel at Munich and then crashed when making a third attempt to take off in ice and snow. Eight of United's players died as a result of this crash, including three England internationals and one Eire international. They were Roger Byrne, Tommy Taylor, Duncan Edwards, Bill Whelan, Geoff Bent, Eddie Colman, Mark Jones and David Pegg. The club secretary, coach, trainer and eight sporting journalists were also killed. In addition John Berry and Jackie Blanchflower were so seriously injured they had to give up football.

The survivors who continued to grace the game were Dennis Viollet, Bobby Charlton, Ray Wood, Harry Gregg, Bill Foulkes, Albert Scanlon, Ken Morgans, and of course, manager Sir Matt Busby. That same season United appeared in the F.A. Cup Final, losing 2-0 to Bolton Wanderers, and the following season they finished League Championship runners-up!

BARRIERS CRASH

One of the saddest soccer sensations arose from a disaster at Burnden Park, Bolton, on March 9th, 1946, when about 65,000 fans had crammed themselves into this ground to see



The riot in Peru which claimed the lives of 301 people.

TEAM WIPED OUT

One of the finest teams in Italian League history, the Torino team of 1949 which had just carried off the Championship for the fourth season in succession was entirely wiped out when their plane, returning them from a game in Lisbon, crashed at Superga, outside Turin. The death roll included eight internationals. In addition to the complete team and reserves, the club's manager, trainer and coach were killed.

PERU RIOT

The greatest disaster in football history occurred at the National Stadium, Lima, Peru, in May, 1964, when a riot broke out near the end of a game between Peru and Argentina after the referee had disallowed a goal by the home side. There was panic when the police used tear gas and in the crush to get out of the stadium 301 people were killed and over 500 injured.

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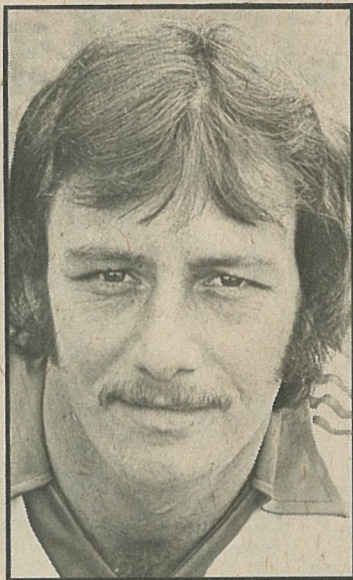
IT'S never too late to start. Honestly, I thought League football had passed me by when no one came for me after two seasons of regular goalscoring for Falmouth Town in the Western League.

Go West, young man. It had always been my ambition to be a professional footballer and I had begun to change that saying to — go to waste young man.

I'm a Cornishman and played most of my football for Penzance. At 21, Falmouth signed me... but that seemed to be the end of the road. Who wanted an untried 23-year-old?

One person did — Exeter City manager John Newman, who is now in charge at Grimsby. He signed me at the start of last season.

Tell you something else. John Newman took a gamble on me. He had the chance of signing Eric Redrobe, the former Bolton



'I'm Exeter's Goal-Pirate!'

forward who was then available at Hereford.

You would bet on it the Exeter boss would have gone for experience. That's where he gambled. And I like to think it paid off at good odds.

Last season was my first in the League and I finished up with 23 goals, including 19 in the League. Alan Beer and myself struck up an understanding right away and between us we ended up with a haul of 45.

Even by Cornish standards that's a fair netful... only it's goals we were after, not mackerel or pilchards.

You could say I had a dream start, scoring in my first competitive match. It was at Plymouth in the first-leg of the League Cup and I hit the ball with my right foot from about 12 yards. In all modesty, the 'keeper had no chance. The ball just bombed in... simply because I had connected properly.

That was the only goal of the

says

TONY KELLOW

match and we won the second-leg by the same score. See what I mean by getting off to a good start?

It looks as if Alan will be moving once he gets a clearance from the doctors. Of course, I'll miss having him alongside me, but watch for Harry Holman. He made six appearances in our promotion side last season and is a very good prospect.

Talking about my ambition to be a professional, I forgot to mention I did have a six-week trial with Bournemouth. I was 18, but their manager at the time, John Bond, had a surplus of forwards — that's what he told me — so it was back to Falmouth.

That was a sickener. Having to go back and tell the lads you didn't make it. In my case, it might have done me good, for it made me all the more determined.

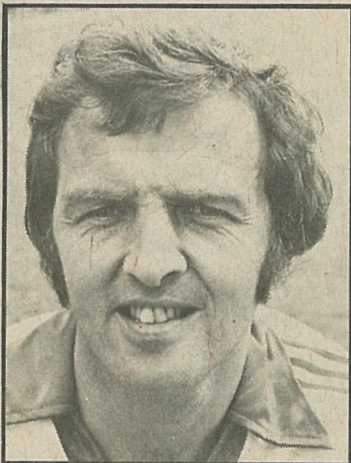
I'll say this, John Bond or any manager who says he has a surplus of players would find things a little bit tougher. Our squad at Exeter is only 16 — and one of them is player-manager Bobby Saxton.

If we get any injuries, he will have to call in a faith healer! But they're tough lads and the trainer and his helpers do a great job.

Me? I just hope to keep banging them in. And I'm still ambitious... if the chance should arise I will not hesitate to go East, young man. Or North.

By the way, I belong to Penzance. That's where the pirates come from. If you know anyone looking for a goal-pirate, just mention my name.

My boots were made for shooting; not walking. And certainly not walking the plank!



Bobby Saxton (above) is player-manager at Exeter.

POSTMAN'S KNOCK

and IAN PHILLIPS was on the road to success

WHEN the postman knocked on the door of the house where Ian Phillips lived, he couldn't miss it. For the postman was his father. And this was opportunity knocking for young Ian.

For the letter was an invitation to the Cumnock Academy schoolboy to join Ipswich Town. He accepted and they signed him on apprentice forms and kept him at Portman Road.

Surprisingly, they gave him a free transfer in the close season and he was snapped up by Mansfield player-manager Peter Morris, who had played around 220 matches for Ipswich.

Now, 18-year-old Phillips is considered to be one of the best left-backs in the Second Division. Yet he joined Ipswich as a left-side midfield player.

Explains Phillips, who will be 19 in April: "I prefer playing left-back. It was Ipswich coach Charlie Woods who switched me to left-back and I must admit I prefer playing there."

"There is more work to do in the back-four. I know most people say the midfield men are the mainstay of a team — they are in the engine-room."

"I wouldn't disagree, but this gives the impression the rest of the team are just loafing around. Don't let anyone believe that. Everybody works hard in a team — and the harder everyone works the better the team."

Back-four

He stops, then goes on: "It could be argued it is easier in the back-four because you are facing play most of the time. But we have to turn, too. If someone gets by you, there is no point in hanging around; you have to turn sharpish and get after him."

The former Ayrshire schoolboy is extremely fast and likes to come through to have a crack at goal. He says: "I suppose that's natural — sort of born in the family."

"My brother Gerry is a striker with Ayr United and my father did the same job for Grimsby and later Cheltenham in the '50's."

"I pull Gerry's leg about this, for he was born in England and I was born in Scotland. So I claim I am more Scottish than him."

"It's early days yet, but my most memorable match was when I made my debut for Ipswich RESERVES in the Football Combination. It was at home to West Ham and we won 3-1."

Asked what is so great about making a debut in a reserve match, Ian replies: "I was only 16 and had



been at Ipswich for just a year.

"The other important debut was for Mansfield. It was at home to Millwall and the newspaper lads gave me a good rating. I have been in the team ever since."

Sad at leaving Ipswich? Replies Ian: "In a way, yes. But, when I think about it, I realise they were doing me a favour. They had England international Mick Mills in possession and waiting his chance was Les Tibbott. Take it from me, Les is a very useful player."

"He was born in Oswestry and will surely be capped for Wales one day — and that day is not very far away."

"I have nothing but good memories of Ipswich Town. They treated me well and they switched me to left-back, which I now know is my best position."

"These days, however, it's Mansfield for me. I like it here. It's a good club and the people are very friendly — they make you feel at home."

And he adds, with conviction: "Mansfield will hold their first-time ever spot in the Second Division. Have no fears about that."

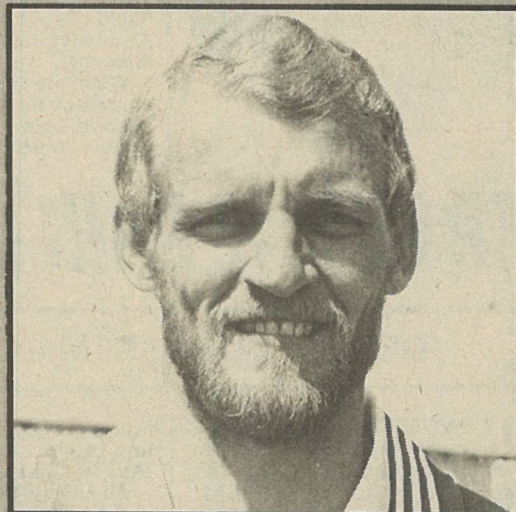
The problem is: How long will Mansfield be able to hold Ian Phillips? Sound judges forecast: "Not very long."

But this time he will not be going for free.

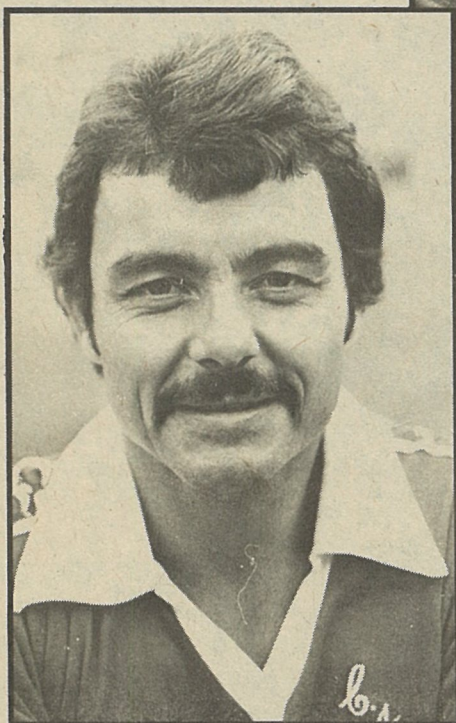


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League appearances. BELOW . . . Keith
Peacock (Charlton Athletic) 500
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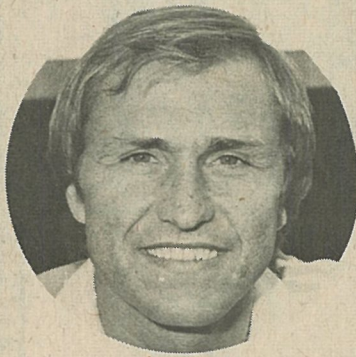
STARS OF THE 500 PLUS CLUB...



**ABOVE . . . John Trollope (Swindon Town) 700
first-team appearances. BELOW . . . Alan Woodward
(Sheffield United) 500 League appearances.**



HATS OFF TO THE



their own ground we would have to work for everything we got.

And the first goal I scored gave me a lot of satisfaction, coming from an overhead kick. This is something I have worked on repeatedly at practice for a long time, and over a period of four years I think I must have found the net four or five times with it. Which is why I've never thought I've been lucky to have scored in this way.

After the first goal, we went on to collect the two points, with my second being scored following a square pass — then with Villa

'PRACTICE PAID OFF'

DENNIS TUEART (Man. City)

MY HAT-TRICK came at a good time, in the second League match of the season. In our first game, at home to Leicester City, we had drawn 0-0, which was a big disappointment to us — we felt we hadn't got off to an ideal start.

So when we travelled to take on Aston Villa, there was determination in the side to chalk up a win, though we knew against Villa on

fighting back and pushing upfield in an effort to pull the game out of the fire, I managed to get my third.

When the ball came through to me, I fastened on to it, and from there took my chance to chip it over the goalkeeper's head. The hat-trick gave me much satisfaction, in view of the fact I notched it away from home and against a side not easy to beat.



Of the goals I got against Rangers, the best was my second, the header which I put past Phil Parkes from a centre by Dave Thomas. And it was after I had managed to score this, I began to feel everything was going to come off for me in the game.

But I did receive plenty of help from the rest of the team, including Duncan McKenzie. Duncan and I have really hit it off this season — we know what to expect from each other. Against Rangers, he had an injured foot, and my main worry was he would be out of action in future matches.

Years ago, I scored three goals for Birmingham, but this was the first time I had notched four in a League game — my last foursome was for the England Youth team. And the hat-trick has not promp-

'A GOOD TEAM PERFORMANCE'

BOB LATCHFORD (Everton)

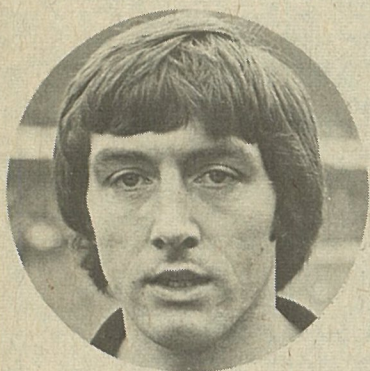
I WAS very pleased to score four goals against Queens Park Rangers away, not only from my own point of view, but because it was such a good all-round performance from Everton. Everybody on our side played well, and the way we have knitted together this season can put us right among the leaders.

ted me into naming a specific target of goals for the season. I prefer just to say I would like to get between 20 or 30 for Everton over the next few months.

And in any "derby" matches against Liverpool, I won't be too worried if I fail to chalk up a hat-trick — as long as Everton pick up a share of the points.



HAT-TRICK MEN



Alan Sunderland had sent over a cross, and I met it at the far post to head into the net.

And when Wolves went further ahead, once again it was Alan Sunderland who set up the goal for me. This time, Alan hit a low centre, and I was in the right place to meet the ball and side-foot it home.

Then for goal number three, we went on the attack again, and we managed to catch the Leicester defence square — I collected the ball, ran around the City goalkeeper, Mark Wallington, and planted it in the net.

Grabbing my hat-trick just

'ONE AWAY FROM MY SOCCER CENTURY'

JOHN RICHARDS (Wolves)

I GOT all my goals on October 1st against Leicester in the second-half, when the wind was behind us, though I'm not saying it was responsible for the hat-trick. And my last goal, scored one minute before time, was my 99th and left me waiting for my 100th, which I got against West Ham a couple of weeks later at Molineux.

In scoring the first goal of my hat-trick I was very nearly injured in a collision with the upright —

before the end gave me a great feeling. After all, there is nothing like scoring goals, and before this one, I had enjoyed notching my six previous hat-tricks.

But I never set myself a specific goals target at the beginning of a season, although I think any First Division striker should come up with 20 goals at least every term. And this is what I hope to get this season — I'll be very disappointed if I fail to achieve this tally.



John Richards (left) in action for Wolves against West Ham. He scored his 100th League goal during this game.

Four top First Division marksmen recall their recent scoring feats



to me and as the goalkeeper came out I lobbed it over his head and into the net.

And it was John Beck who helped me with my next goal. He pulled the ball back to me where I was waiting, in front of goal, and I slotted it home. Then I scored a third, which was probably my best — this time I met a cross at the far post to steer it into the net for my hat-trick.

For this match, the conditions were just right — the pitch was soft but it was not the slippery sort of surface which gives attackers an edge on defenders when they are

'MY FIRST IN THE FIRST'

MICK FERGUSON (Coventry)

THIS was a great thrill to me, notching my first hat-trick in Division One, and in this match against Manchester City on October 4th I scored once in the first-half and twice in the second.

Actually, it took us most of the opening 45 minutes to put our game together, and Coventry really didn't get going until after the interval. But before then I had managed to open my account, when John Beck flicked the ball on

forced to turn suddenly.

And although I got three goals, I never had the impression at the start of the match everything was going to come off for me. It is always difficult to know which way a game will go, but as it turned out, Coventry made it into a good one for themselves.

In fact, I think we can do well this season, and I certainly wouldn't mind doing my share by scoring another hat-trick or two!



Coventry's Terry Yorath (right) beats Manchester City's Gary Owen to the ball. A Mick Ferguson hat-trick helped The Sky Blues to a 4-2 win.

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This week's Star Letter comes from Michael Gordon of Whinmoor, Leeds, who wins our Special Prize of £3. He writes:

THE MEN WHO RUIN FOOTBALL

THE ruination of English football is being brought about by the men at the top — the directors. They reach their lofty heights not through their knowledge of the game, but because of their reputations and fortunes made totally outside of football.

Invariably these directors have little or no knowledge of the game which is why so many clubs are in trouble.

A major testimony to the ineptness of directors is the amount of managers who are sacked. To dismiss a manager is merely to admit the incompetence of the men who appointed him initially.

I suggest soccer would be much healthier if the men who run it are picked because of their knowledge of the sport.

● It's against the rules to have paid directors, unfortunately, because such men could probably add the sort of expertise other board members lack. I wouldn't doubt the dedication of our directors, but a salaried specialist on the board would certainly be a help.

No Excuse

I WOULD like to say how disappointed I was with the behaviour of the England supporters in Luxembourg.

There was no excuse for their behaviour and I wouldn't be surprised if England were banned from international football — club football, too, even.

MICHELLE TOMKINS,
TYLDESLEY

● This seems to be the only answer to the growing hooligan problem. If the supporters can't travel they can't terrorise the innocent people of Europe. Goodness knows what damage has been done to the name of England by soccer thugs recently.

Publicity

WHEN the Scots went on the rampage at Wembley they were called hooligans. It received a lot of publicity.

Yet when the English fans rioted in Luxembourg hardly anything was said.

GARY LAW,
EDINBURGH.

● I don't know how many English papers you read in Scotland, but I can assure you the trouble in Luxembourg received the sort of publicity it deserved. The English Press rightly condemned the thugs who called themselves England fans for their terrible actions. Whether or not Scottish readers will wish to believe this is another matter; but it's true.

Well Done, Wales

I DON'T wish to sound patronising but I must congratulate and commiserate with Wales, who played so well against Scotland. Had Wales been given a penalty under the same circumstances, I think the Scots would have had more to say than Mike Smith and company.

DAVID KERR,
MOTHERWELL.

● It's a shame the penalty incident clouded the occasion. Still, such things are part of the game. There is no doubt in my mind it was Joe Jordan who handled the ball — had this occurred in an earlier tie it would not have been so significant.

British?

AFTER watching Scotland beat Wales the television reporter told us of the damage caused by British fans in Luxembourg.

British? England is not Britain — nor vice versa. English fans did the damage in Luxembourg and the responsibility shouldn't be passed on to others.

STEWART MATHERS,
DUNDEE.

● Quite right! It's perhaps also wrong to say Scotland will represent Britain in Argentina. First and foremost they're representing Scotland.

Credit

CAN'T anyone give any credit to Luxembourg? For part-timers they did very well.

MARK TAYLOR,
HAMBLETON.

● They did against an England side lacking in ideas and penetration. Against opposition with more technique, Luxembourg do less well.

ENGLAND are out of the World Cup. I don't really believe in miracles, so I accept we shan't be in Argentina with Scotland and the others next June.

Italy's superior goal-difference will take them through, to leave England — again — wondering what went wrong.

Now, our tie against the Italians on November 16th means little in terms of the World Cup.

Yet I believe this is a match we must still pull out all the stops to win, even though it won't be enough to take us to Argentina.

If we're out of the World Cup, we must look forward and the first step back on the road to the top is beating Italy the week after next at Wembley.

I don't know what sort of side Ron Greenwood will field — I'd love to be there, but most important is a morale-boosting England victory.

Italy are cock-a-hoop now . . . 99 per cent certain of a place in the Finals. Everyone is saying how good a team they are.

Okay — let's beat them. We must look to the future and at the moment that's our immediate task.

Mind you, beating Italy is never easy. This Italian line-up must be their best for ages.

Usually, one expects Italy to be ultra-defensive, attacking in fits and bursts.

England, in turn, must try to prove we CAN play good football and win.

I hope the fans are behind us all the way. I've been asking myself what sort of reception England will get and I've not come up with an answer.

Nobody is more disappointed than the players that we haven't produced the goods for the supporters — the game against Italy is somewhat special in many ways and it's hard to predict what the reception will be.

So . . . what went wrong? Why are we out of the World Cup? Why haven't we scored more goals?

If I can put my finger on one match in particular where the rot set in, as it were, it would be our tie in Rome a year ago when we lost 2-0.

It was vital we brought a point back from Italy . . . we didn't and we never recovered from it. After that, it was all on goal-difference and now we need to win something like 6-0 and then hope Luxembourg keep the score to a minimum in Italy next month. Quite honestly, it's not on.

It's no secret goalscoring has been a major problem. Our trouble could be anxiety . . . as it becomes more and more essential to score goals, we seem unable to relax.

The Continentals don't seem to panic as much when they reach the opposition's penalty-area. They



"Glenn Hoddle (left) is one of the best young players in England. The Spurs midfielder makes everything seem so easy."

Enzo Bearzot has worked a new system and with some exceptional players at his disposal has moulded together a fine team.

I particularly like Roberto Bettega, who scored four times against Finland last month. He looks a world-beater . . . a deadly finisher with tremendous all-round ability.

The midfield player Antognoni has also taken my eye for the way he directs play. In many respects he reminds me of Johan Cruyff.

I have a hunch Italy will come to Wembley with a less cautious than usual formation. They may be keen to show everyone what they can REALLY do.

With the pressure off them they can afford to let themselves go a little — they certainly have the players to excite the fans.

draw people out, even if it takes a dozen passes, whereas our tendency is to crack balls in the area as soon as possible.

It was not enjoyable to play against Luxembourg's nine-man defence. I'd hoped that at home they might have attacked a little more. Even at corners they had only two men up!

We had hoped to draw their defence by getting behind them down the flanks. It didn't really work, so tightly did they pack their defence.

The Italians scored three goals from crosses against the Finns — maybe their centres were more accurate, I don't know.

Some people said I had a fair game, but I wasn't too happy with my performance. I gave the ball away too many times for comfort . . . unforced errors are a soccer sin.

Whatever our problems, I hope no one blames

'England must slow down to progress'



ABOVE . . . "Bettega, Capello and Graziani . . . Italy have the players to attack England at Wembley."

BELOW . . . "Leaving the field after our disappointing 2-0 win in Luxembourg."

**RAY
WILKINS**
writes for you

Ron Greenwood who has done a good job under extremely tricky circumstances.

I've been impressed with the way he's gone about his task, especially the way he puts over his ideas. The England boss must be one of the best football tacticians in the world and has tried to get his players to play their natural game.

But have they? Something seems to happen when some players put on the white shirt. It could be the change of environment . . . international soccer suits me, though and I feel at home as the pace of the game is a little slower.

The popular theory now is Mr. Greenwood will give some of our Under-21 team a chance against Italy. Certainly they've done well lately, building on the foundations laid at Youth level.

I captained that team, which had some outstanding individuals. Two in particular spring to mind — Glenn Hoddle and Peter Barnes.

Glenn, the young Spurs midfielder, has "class" written all over him. Everything he does is so effortless because he makes soccer look easy. Glenn has the hallmark of all great players in that he makes time for himself.

Peter, in such exciting form for Manchester City just now, hit the headlines a couple of years ago but faded a little.

It could have been he was being put off his game . . . now he is much stronger and consistent. He'll go places.

It has been said we should change our style of play, yet our fans like fast, non-stop football and shouts of "sling the ball over" aren't exactly uncommon at our grounds!

Grafters

The supporters love the runners and the grafters — how would they react to slower, more European football?

A couple of seasons ago Q.P.R. were playing some of the best soccer seen here in years. Looking back it's a shame they didn't win the Championship as they were setting the right example.

However, Rangers were averaging gates of just over 20,000 . . . so was their revolutionary soccer appreciated?

I must add my congratulations to Scotland, although I'm sorry for Chelsea goalkeeper John Phillips Wales missed out. The Scots should do well in Argentina.

Right now it's "Operation Italy" and I don't envy Ron Greenwood at all. I wouldn't know what to do. It's easy for outsiders to say "do this" or "do that" but they're not in the driving seat.

Just time to mention our home game with high-riding Nottingham Forest this Saturday (November 5th) . . . see you in a fortnight.

Ray Wilkins

ANOTHER 'WORLD CUP SPECIAL'

Next week we preview three World Cup qualifying games, involving Home nations. England play Italy in their final game at Wembley — a game in which Ron Greenwood's men hope to salvage their pride by winning well. But only a miraculous score — at least six-nil — can give them a glimmer of hope of qualifying for Argentina in Italy's place. Both Northern Ireland, who play Belgium in Belfast, and gallant Wales, who journey to Czechoslovakia, have no chance of qualifying but are determined to end their campaigns with the convincing wins that will put them in good shape for the future. Exclusive interviews with the three Home managers: Ron Greenwood, Danny Blanchflower and Mike Smith; and with Italy boss Enzo Bearzot.

Double-page of action in colour from previous World Cup games: Luxembourg v England; Wales v Scotland and Northern Ireland v Holland. And a Focus on Graziani of Italy and Torino.

Plus SHOOT'S selection of possibles and probabilities for the 22-man squad Scotland will take to Argentina!

Other features about Ian Greaves (Bolton), Martyn Busby (Q.P.R.), Donato Nardiello (Coventry City), Bruce Rioch (Everton), Jimmy Robertson (Walsall), Peter Barnes (Man. City), Dave McCreery (Man. United), two Scottish 'keepers, Alan Rough (Partick) and Peter Latchford (Celtic), Scotland's First Division promotion-chasers Hearts, and a Spotlight on Crystal Palace.

Colour: Crystal Palace team group, and Tony Morley (Burnley), Geoff Nulty (Newcastle), Trevor Francis (Birmingham) and Andy Ritchie (Morton) in our booklet.

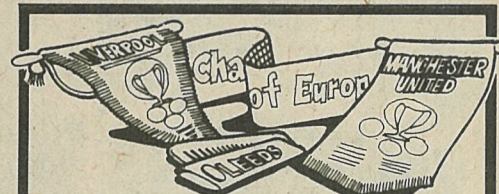
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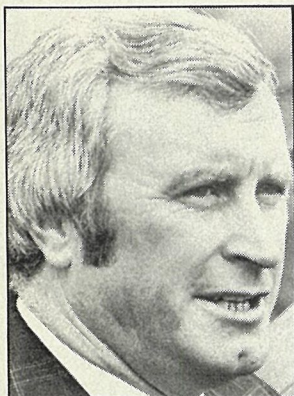
AFTER a shaky start that saw Rangers lose both of their opening Scottish Premier Division matches, the Ibrox club have really moved into top gear with a string of impressive victories. Once again they threaten to take the League Championship.

This time, however, there is a difference in Scotland. Rangers can look over their shoulder and will not find Glasgow rivals Celtic breathing down their neck. Celtic are having a terrible time and are the wrong end of the table for a title challenge.

New exciting blood has been introduced into the senior side. Bobby Russell (right), Gordon Smith and Davie Cooper have established themselves in the first team and given the Ibrox fans plenty to cheer about.



RANGERS



Manager Jock Wallace won fame as a goalkeeper in his playing career. He appeared for Airdrie, West Bromwich and Hereford before his greatest moment came. After leaving Hereford he became player-manager of Berwick Rangers and on January 28th, 1967, came a result that stunned Scotland.

Little Berwick beat mighty Rangers 1-0 with a goal scored by Sammy Reid. Later Jock was coach at Hearts and after a spell in a similar position with Rangers took over as manager at Ibrox in 1972.

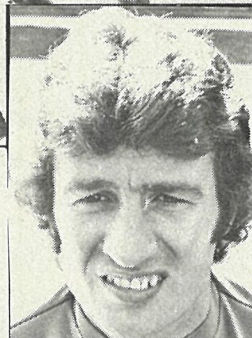


ABOVE . . . Johnny Hamilton is tackled by Celtic's Roy Aitken.

LEFT . . . Young Chris Robertson in European action against Young Boys of Berne.

RIGHT . . . Experienced Scotland defender Sandy Jardine.

BELOW . . . One of the "new generation" at Ibrox, Gordon Smith.



GROUND: Ibrox Stadium.
SIZE OF PITCH: 115 yards by 75 yards.
TELEPHONE No: 041-427 0159.
NICKNAME: 'Blues' or 'Gers'.
COLOURS: Royal blue shirts, white shorts, black stockings with red tops.

RECORD VICTORY:

14-2 v. Blairgowrie. First Round, Scottish Cup, January 20th, 1934.

RECORD DEFEAT:

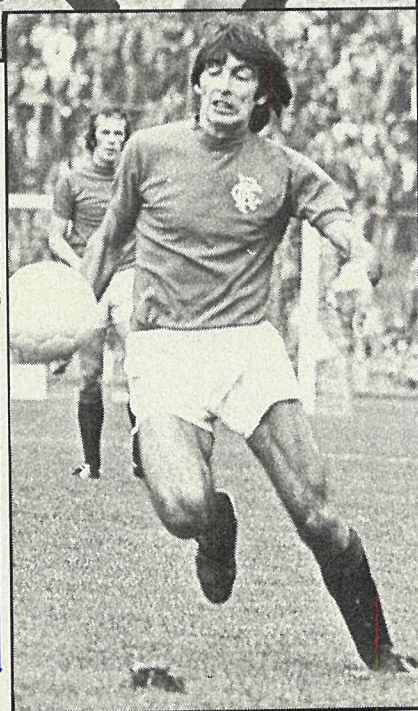
2-10 v. Airdrie in 1886.

MOST LEAGUE POINTS IN A SEASON:

76 in Scottish Division One, 1920-21.

HIGHEST LEAGUE SCORER IN A SEASON:

44 by Sam English in Scottish First Division (1931-32).



RANGERS RECORD SINCE 1960-61

(C-League Champions; W-Winners; F-Finalist; S/F-Semi-Finalists; Q/F-Quarter-Finalists; E-European Cup; C-Cup-Winners' Cup; U-U.E.F.A. or Fairs Cup; DNC-Did not compete)

SEASON	LEAGUE Division & Placing	SCOTTISH CUP Round reached	EUROPE Round Reached
1960-61	1 - 1st (C)	3rd	F (C)
1961-62	1 - 2nd	W	Q/F (E)
1962-63	1 - 1st (C)	W	2nd (C)
1963-64	1 - 1st (C)	W	Prelim (E)
1964-65	1 - 5th	Q/F	Q/F (E)
1965-66	1 - 2nd	W	DNC
1966-67	1 - 2nd	1st	F (C)
1967-68	1 - 2nd	Q/F	Q/F (U)
1968-69	1 - 2nd	F	S/F (U)
1969-70	1 - 2nd	Q/F	2nd (C)
1970-71	1 - 4th	F	1st (U)
1971-72	1 - 3rd	S/F	W (C)
1972-73	1 - 2nd	W	DNC
1973-74	1 - 3rd	4th	2nd (C)
1974-75	1 - 1st (C)	3rd	DNC
1975-76	P - 1st (C)	W	2nd (E)
1976-77	P - 2nd	F	1st (E)

Until this season, the Scottish League Cup was played on a League basis with the Quarter-Finalists drawn from the group winners. Rangers' appearances in the Finals of the League Cup are as follows.

Winners:— 1947, 1949, 1961, 1962, 1964, 1965, 1971, 1976.

Finalists:— 1946, 1952, 1958, 1966, 1967.

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RANG



BACK ROW (left to right): Alan Boyd, Alex Miller, Derek Parlane, Colin Jackson, Ronnie Lowrie, Peter McCloy, Stewart Kennedy, Martin Henderson, Tom Forsyth, Ken Watson, Ally Dawson

MIDDLE ROW: Tom Craig (physio), Gordon Boyd, Eric Morris, Ralph Brand, Chris Robertson, Derek Johnstone, Colin Stein, Davie

GERRS



Armour, Alex O'Hara, Jim Denny, Joe Mason
(second-team coach)

FRONT ROW: Jock Wallace (manager), Billy McKay, Tommy McLean, Iain Munro, Bobby Russell, Sandy Jardine, John Greig, Davie Cooper, Alex MacDonald, Bobby McKean, Johnny Hamilton, Derek Strickland.

continued

RANGERS PEN-PICTURES

(L—App:— League Appearances; G:— Goals; S:— Substitutes. Records are for the 1976-77 season only). International caps up to end of October, 1977.

DAVIE COOPER: Striker and one of the brightest finds in Scottish football. Signed from Clydebank for £100,000 at the end of the 1976-77 season. A Scottish Under-21 cap. Ht. 5.9. Wt. 11.4. L.App:— Clydebank 38. G:— Clydebank 11.

TOM FORSYTH: Defender signed from Motherwell in October, 1972. A Scottish Under-23 cap and 16 full caps. Ht. 6.0. Wt. 12.7. L.App:— 25. **JOHN GREIG:** Defender who needs no introduction to SHOOT readers, a fine clubman who is an inspiration to the team. Joined Rangers in August, 1960. Was awarded the M.B.E. this year for his long service to the game. 44 full Scottish caps. Ht. 5.11½. Wt. 13.2. L.App:— 30.

COLIN JACKSON: Central defender who signed for Rangers in October, 1963. A Scottish Under-23 cap and has eight full caps. Ht. 6½. Wt. 12.6. L.App:— 30. G:— 4.

SANDY JARDINE: Versatile player who has fought back after injury to regain his place in the Scottish international side. 30 full caps. Signed for Rangers in December, 1965, from Edinburgh Athletic. Ht. 5.9½. Wt. 11.2. L.App:— 36. G:— 2.

DEREK JOHNSTONE: Versatile player and as a 16-year-old played his first game in a Scottish League Cup Final and scored the winning goal v. Celtic in a 1-0 victory in 1970. A Scottish Under-23 international with 10 full caps. Born Dundee. Ht. 5.11½. Wt. 13.2. L.App:— 27. G:— 15.

STEWART KENNEDY: Goalkeeper signed from Stenhousemuir in April, 1973. A Scottish Under-23 international with five full caps won in the 1974-75 season. Ht. 6.1½. Wt. 12.7. L.App:— 31.

PETER McCLOY: Current holder of the goalkeeping position with Rangers. Signed from Motherwell in March, 1970. Four full Scottish caps. Born Girvan. Ht. 6.4. Wt. 14.4½. L.App:— 5.

ALEX MACDONALD: Midfield player with a tremendous work-rate. Signed from St. Johnstone in November, 1968. A Scottish Under-23 international with one full cap. Born Glasgow. Ht. 5.5½. Wt. 10.6.



L.App:— 29 and 1 sub. G:— 9. **BOBBY MCKEAN:** Strong tackling midfielder signed from St. Mirren in September, 1974. One full Scottish cap. Ht. 5.8½. Wt. 11.9. L.App:— 14 and 8 sub. G:— 2.

TOMMY McLEAN: Winger signed from Kilmarnock in June, 1971. Six full Scottish caps. Born Larkhall. Ht. 5.4½. Wt. 10. L.App:— 36. G:— 1.

ALEX MILLER: Defender signed from Clydebank in April, 1967. Played for over an hour with a broken jaw in the 1972 Scottish Cup Final. Alex has a tremendous shot and is a product of the Rangers Youth policy. Ht. 5.10½. Wt. 12.1. L.App:— 17 and 7 sub. G:— 4.

IAIN MUNRO: Left-sided midfielder and is a favourite of the Ibrox crowd because of his tremendous shooting power. Ht. 5.8. Wt. 10.6. L.App:— 3 and 2 sub.

DEREK PARLANE: Striker signed from Queen's Park in April, 1970. Has been top scorer

for the club in four of the last five seasons. Scottish Under-23 and Under-21 international with 13 full caps. Born Helensburgh. Ht. 6.0. Wt. 12.2. L.App:— 31 and 2 sub. G:— 16. **CHRIS ROBERTSON:** Midfielder signed from school in May, 1975, and has already been selected by Scotland's Under-21 side. Ht. 5.10. Wt. 11.10. L.App:— 7 and 4 sub. G:— 1. **BOBBY RUSSELL:** Midfield player signed this year from Shettleston Juniors and has made a huge impact after winning a first team place. Ht. 5.8. Wt. 9.6.

GORDON SMITH: Striker signed from Kilmarnock early this season for £80,000. Ht. 5.10¾. Wt. 11.5. L.App:— Kilmarnock 32 and 3 sub. G:— Kilmarnock 7.

KENNY WATSON: Midfield star who won a Scottish Under-21 cap last season. Signed in August, 1975, from Montrose. Ht. 6.0. Wt. 12.8. L.App:— 30. G:— 3.

TOP LEAGUE SCORERS

1972-73 Derek Parlane..... 19
1973-74 Derek Parlane..... 14
1974-75 Derek Parlane..... 17
1975-76 Derek Johnstone 15
1976-77 Derek Parlane..... 16



ABOVE . . . Derek Parlane salutes yet another goal.

LEFT . . . Derek Johnstone and Bobby McKean (centre) during an anxious moment against Clydebank.

LEAGUE FIXTURES

Date	Opponents	Ground
1977		
Aug		
13	Aberdeen.....	A
20	Hibernian.....	H
27	Partick T.....	A
Sept		
10	Celtic.....	H
17	St. Mirren.....	A
24	Ayr Utd.....	H
Oct		
1	Clydebank.....	H
8	Dundee Utd.....	A
15	Motherwell.....	A
22	Aberdeen.....	H
29	Hibernian.....	A
Nov		
5	Partick T.....	H
12	Celtic.....	A
19	St. Mirren.....	H
26	Ayr Utd.....	A
Dec		
3	Clydebank.....	A
10	Dundee Utd.....	H
17	Motherwell.....	H
24	Aberdeen.....	A
31	Hibernian.....	H
Jan		
2	Partick T.....	A
7	Celtic.....	H
14	St. Mirren.....	A
21	Ayr Utd.....	H
Feb		
4	Clydebank.....	H
11	Dundee Utd.....	A
25	Motherwell.....	A
Mar		
4	Aberdeen.....	H
11	Hibernian.....	A
18	Partick T.....	H
25	Celtic.....	A
Apr		
1	St. Mirren.....	H
8	Ayr Utd.....	A
15	Clydebank.....	A
22	Dundee Utd.....	H
29	Motherwell.....	H

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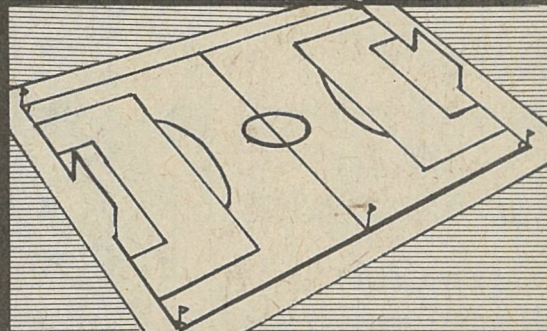
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A defender and an opponent are behind the goal-line when the ball is in the penalty-area. The defender holds the opponent. You stop play to caution the defender. Do you (a) award a penalty-kick, (b) restart with a drop ball or with (c) an indirect free-kick?



2

When inspecting the pitch you notice (a) one halfway flag-post is missing, (b) the goal-line is not marked between the posts and (c) the goals do not have nets. Which item must be corrected before play begins?



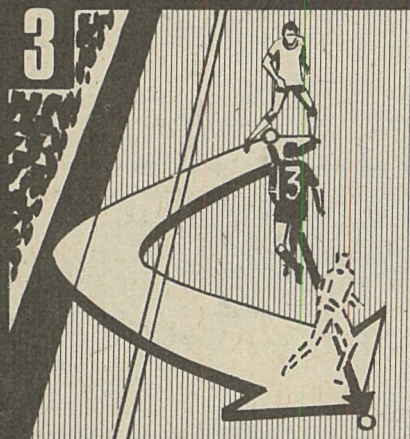
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A substitute, standing near the touch-line, swears at one of his own players. Do you (a) take no action, (b) stop play, take the sub's name and drop the ball or (c) award an indirect free-kick after taking his name?



3

A player pushes the ball past an opponent. In order to regain possession he runs over the touch-line and back into play. Do you (a) take no action, (b) caution the player and drop the ball or (c) caution him and award an indirect free-kick?



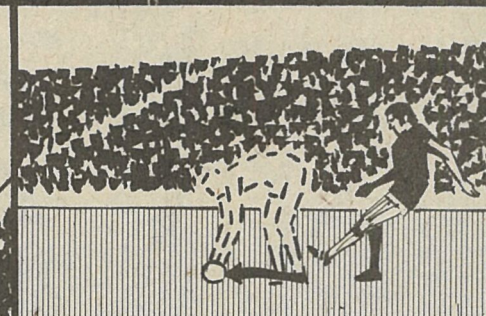
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A: When restarting play with a drop ball a player kicks dangerously before the ball touches the ground. You award an indirect free-kick.



B: From the indirect free-kick the ball goes direct to a player standing in an offside position. You award a free-kick for offside.



C: The player taking the free-kick loses his balance and moves the ball a few inches. He then uses a hand to replace the ball and takes the kick again. (Where is the problem?)

ANSWERS:

1. The ball should be dropped again because the problem is in A. The ball should be dropped again because the dangerous kick occurred before it touched the ground. In B a player can be offside from a free-kick. In C the player does not commit a handling offence because the ball was not in play — it had not rolled at least the distance of its circumference i.e. 27-28 inches.

2. The goal-lines must be marked between the goal-posts (b). Halfway flag-posts and nets are not compulsory items according to the Laws. 3. Take no action (a). 4. The sub's name should be taken and he can still be allowed to take part in the match. Play should be restarted with a drop ball (b). 5. The

RESULTS . . . SCORERS . . . TEAM LINE-UPS

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 28

CUP WINNERS CUP (First Round, second-leg)

(continued)

TWENTE (2) 3 (Gritter, Muhren, Van der Vall)
RANGERS (0) 0 20,000
Twente: Van Gerven; Van Ierssel, Thoresen, Drost, Thijssen, Overweg, Wildschut, Van der Vall, Bos, Muhren, Gritter.
Rangers: Kennedy; Jardine, Miller, Forsyth, Jackson, Macdonald, McKean, Russell, Parlane, Smith, Cooper.

LOKOMOTIV LEIPZIG (2) 2 (Altmann, Fritsche)
COLERAINE (1) 2 (Guy 2) 16,000
Leipzig: Friese; Hammer, Sekora, Dennstedt, Fritsche, Moldt, Eichhorn (Liebers), Frenzel, Altmann, Lowe, Kuhn.
Coleraine: Magee; Jackson; Hutton, Connell, McNutt, Beckett, Porter, Murray, Dickson, Guy, Tweed.

UEFA CUP (First Round, second-leg)

ABERDEEN (0) 1 (Jarvie)
RWD MOLENBEEK (0) 2 (Gorez, Wellens) 20,000
Aberdeen: Clark; Kennedy, McLelland, Shirra (Sullivan), Garner, Miller, Jarvie, Davidson, Harper, Fleming, McMaster.
Molenbeek: Fuitier; Dumon, Lafont, Alhinho, Desanghere, Boskap, Cordiez, Olsen, Gorez, Wellens, Wissmann.

FEENERBAHCE (0) 0
ASTON VILLA (1) 2 (Deehan, Little) 25,000
Feenerbahce: Fuat; Yenal, Serkan, Onur (Bulent), Cem, Zafer, Tuna, Coskun, Bahri

(Kamuran), Onder, Sevki.
Villa: Rimmer; Gidman, Smith, Phillips, McNaught, Mortimer, Deehan (Gregory), Little, Cowans (Linton), Cropley, Carrodus.

IPSWICH (4) 5 (Whymark 4, 1 pen, Mariner)
LANDSKRONA (0) 0 18,714
Ipswich: Cooper; Burley, Tibbott, Talbot, Hunter (Osman), Beattie, Mills, Gates, Mariner, Whymark, Woods (Lambert).
Landskrona: Sorensen; Theander, Augustsson (J), Nilsson, Sjoberg, Eigstrom,



Trevor Whymark grabbed four goals for Ipswich against Landskrona in the U.E.F.A. Cup.

Augustsson (B), Petersson, Gustavsson, Johansson, Aronsson.

NEWCASTLE (1) 4 (Gowling 2, Craig 2)
BOHEMIANS (0) 0 19,046
Newcastle: Mahoney; Craig (D), Kennedy, McLean, McCaffery, Nattrass, Barrowclough, Callaghan, Burns, Gowling, Craig (T).
Bohemians: Smith; Gregg, O'Brien, Kelly, Burke, O'Connor (P), Byrne (P), McCormack, Byrne (E), O'Connor (T), Ryan.

PSV EINDHOVEN (4) 5 (Deykers 2, Lubse 2, Francois)
GLENAVON (0) 0 14,000
PSV: Van Beveren; Stevens, Van Kraay, Brandts, Portvliet, Willy Van der Kerkhof, Van der Kuyl, Deykers, Francois, Lubse, Rene Van der Kerkhof.
Glenavon: Carlisle; Cull, Blair, Campbell, Marley, Ferguson, Neill, Megarry, Gracey, McDonald, Malone.

WIDZEW LODZ 0
MAN. CITY 0 40,000
Widzew: Burzynski; Kostrzewinski, Janas, Grebosz, Zawadzki, Boniek, Chodakowski, Rozborski, Tiokinski, Kowenicki (Krawczyk), Gapinski.
Man. C: Corrigan; Doyle (Clements), Power, Owen, Watson, Booth, Barnes, Kidd, Royle, Hartford, Tueart.

ANGLO-SCOTTISH CUP

(Quarter-Final, second-leg)

BLACKBURN (0) 0
HIBS (0) 1 (Higgins) 6,154
Blackburn: Butcher; Hird, Bailey, Metcalfe (Mitchell), Keeley, Fazackerley, Brotherston, Lewis, Waddington, Parkes, Wagstaffe.
Hibs: McDonald; McNamara, Schaedler, Brazil, Stewart, Blackley, McLeod, Bremner, McKay, Higgins, Duncan.

THIRD DIVISION

BRADFORD (1) 2 (Middleton, Cooke)
PETERBOROUGH (1) 1 (Butlin) 3,217
Bradford: Downsborough; Hardcastle, Spark, Fretwell, Nicholls, Middleton, Watson, Dolan, Cooke, Wright, Hutchins.
Peterborough: Barron; Carmichael, Lee, Doyle, Turner, Ross, Slough, Butlin, Cozens, Oakes, Robson.

CHESTER (1) 1 (Delgado)
WREXHAM (1) 1 (Whittle) 9,514
Chester: Millington; Raynor, Walker, Storton, Delgado, Oakes, Crossley, Jeffries, Kearney, Edwards (I), Phillips.
Wrexham: Davies; Evans, Dwyer, Davis, Roberts, Thomas, Shinton, Sutton, McNeil, Whittle, Cartwright.

LINCOLN 0
HEREFORD 0 4,973
Lincoln: Grotier; Neale, Leigh, Booth, Wigginton, Crombie, Hubbard, Graham, Cork (Eden), Fleming, Smith.
Hereford: Mellor; Emery, Ritchie, Layton, Marshall, Crompton, Spiring, Fear, Davey, Sinclair, Briley.

OXFORD 0
PORTSMOUTH 0 7,769
Oxford: Burton; Kingston, Fogg, Bodel, Clarke, Jeffrey, McGrogan (Seacole), Taylor, Foley, Curran, Duncan.
Portsmouth: Middleton; Roberts, Wilson, Piper, Foster, Denyer, Barnard, Kemp, Gilchrist, Stokes, Mellows.

FOURTH DIVISION

ALDERSHOT (1) 2 (Jopling, Dungworth)
CREWE (0) 0 4,276
Aldershot: Rockett; Earls, Butler, Dixon, Youlden, Jopling, Crosby, Brodie, Needham, Dungworth, McGregor (Hooper).



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Crewe: Crudgington; Collier, Cheetham, Rimmer, Bowles, Bevan, Davies (D), Coyne, Purdie, McGinley, Tully

THURSDAY, SEPT. 29

EUROPEAN CUP (First Round second-leg)

GLENTORAN (1) 2 (Robson, Jamison) 7,000
VALUR (0) 0
Glentoran: Matthews; McCreery, McFall (R), Walsh, Robson, Moreland, Dickinson, Jamison, Caskey, McFall (Q), Feeney
Valur: Dagsson; Alfonsson, Saemundsson, Hilmarsson, Gudmundsson (D), Bergs, Albertsson, Edvaldsson, Gudmundsson (A), Thorbjornsson, Petursson

FRIDAY, SEPT. 30

SECOND DIVISION

CHARLTON (1) 3 (Flanagan 2, Peacock) 8,412
BRISTOL R (1) 1 (Barry)
Charlton: Wood; Penfold, Campbell, Tyde-
man, Giles, Berry, Powell, Abrahams, Flana-
gan, Peacock, McAuley
Bristol R: Thomas; Bater, Taylor (A), Day,
Taylor (S), Prince, Stephens, Williams, Randall
(Hendrie), Staniforth, Barry

THIRD DIVISION

SWINDON (1) 5 (Kamara, Aizlewood, Moss, Trollope, Guthrie) 6,809
SHREWSBURY (0) 0
Swindon: Allan; McLaughlin, Trollope, Stroud, Aizlewood, Prophett, Moss, Kamara, Guthrie, McHale, Anderson.
Shrewsbury: Mulhearn; King, Leonard, Dur-
ban, Griffin, Atkins, Irvine, Hornsby, Lindsay,
Bates, Maguire.

TRANMERE (4) 5 (Palios 3, Allen, Moore) 4,352
CHESTER (0) 0
Tranmere: Johnson; Mathias, Flood, Parry,
Philpotts, Evans, Peplow, Palios, Moore
(James), Tynan, Allen.
Chester: Millington; Raynor, Walker, Stor-
ton, Delgado, Oakes, Crossley, Jeffries, Kear-
ney, Edwards (I), Phillips.

FOURTH DIVISION

SOUTHD (3) 4 (Parker 4) 5,525
TORQUAY (0) 0
Southend: Freeman; Moody, Banks, Laverick, Townsend, Clark, Morris, Goodwin, (Polycarpou), Parker, Hadley, Foggon
Torquay: Lee (T); Twitchin, Parsons, Vas-
sallo, Green, Boulton, Rudge, Lee (C), Law-
rence, Brown, McVay

SATURDAY, OCT. 1

FIRST DIVISION

ARSENAL (1) 3 (Stapleton, Rice, Brady pen.) 41,245
WEST HAM (0) 0
Arsenal: Jennings; Rice, Nelson, Price, O'Leary, Simpson, Brady, Ross, Macdonald, Stapleton, Rix
West Ham: Day; Lampard, Brush, Holland, Taylor (T), McGiven, Taylor (A), Robson, Cur-
bishley (Pike), Brooking, Devonshire

ASTON VILLA (0) 0 45,436
BIRMINGHAM (1) 1 (Bertschin)
Villa: Rimmer; Gidman, Smith, Gregory, Phillips, Mortimer, Deehan, Little (Gray), Cow-
ans, Croyley, Carrodus
Birmingham: Montgomery; Calderwood, Pendrey, Towers, Howard, Want, Broadhurst (Connolly), Francis, Bertschin, Hibbitt, Emmanuel

BRISTOL C (1) 2 (Tainton, Cormack pen.) 20,947
Q.P.R. (2) 2 (Masson, Eastoe)
Bristol C: Shaw; Gillies, Sweeney, Mann, Collier, Hunter, Tainton, Ritchie, Mabbutt, Cor-
mack, Whitehead
Q.P.R.: Parkes; Clement, Gillard (Williams), Hollins, Needham, Abbott, Eastoe, Busby, Masson, Bowles, Givens

CHELSEA (0) 1 (Wilkins, R.) 35,427
LEEDS (1) 2 (Lorimer, Hankin)
Chelsea: Phillips; Harris, Wilkins (G), Britton, Droy, Wicks, Garner, Wilkins (R), Langley, Swain, Stanley
Leeds: Stewart; Cherry, Gray (F), Lorimer, McQueen, Madeley, Gray (E), Hankin, Jordan, Currie, Graham

COVENTRY (1) 1 (Wile o.g.) 25,909
W.B.A. (0) 2 (Holton o.g., Brown T.)
Coventry: Blyth; Oakey, McDonald, Yorath, Holton, Coop, Graydon, Wallace, Ferguson, Powell, Hutchison
W.B.A.: Godden; Mulligan, Statham, Brown (T), Wile, Robertson, Cantello (Martin), Rob-
son, Regis, Brown (A), Johnston

DERBY (2) 4 (Powell, Hector, Hughes, Daly pen.) 21,040
MIDDLESBROUGH (0) 1 (Armstrong)
Derby: Middleton; Langan, Nish, Daly, McFarland, Todd, Ryan, Hector, Hughes, Pow-
ell, James
Middlesbrough: Platt; Craggs, Cooper, Sou-
ness, Boam, Ramage, Mahoney, Mills, Ashcroft, McAndrew, Armstrong

EVERTON (0) 1 (Latchford) 43,286
MAN. CITY (0) 1 (Hartford)
Everton: Wood; Darracott, Pejic, Lyons, Hig-
gins, Rioch, King, Dobson, Latchford, McKen-
zie, Thomas
Man. C: Corrigan; Clements, Donachie, Owen, Watson, Booth (Royle), Barnes, Power, Kidd, Hartford, Tueart

IPSWICH (1) 2 (Mills, Gates) 21,797
NEWCASTLE (1) 1 (McCaffery)
Ipswich: Cooper; Burley, Tibbott, Talbot, Hunter, Beattie, Mills, Gates, Mariner, Whymark, Woods
Newcastle: Mahoney; Craig (D) (Oates), Ken-
nedy, Callachan, McCaffery, Nattrass, Barrow-
clough, McLean, Burns, Gowling, Craig (T)

MAN. UTD (0) 2 (Macari, McLroy) 55,109
LIVERPOOL (0) 0
Man. U: Stepney; Nicholl, Albiston, McLroy, Greenhoff (B), Buchan, McGrath, Coppell, Greenhoff (J), Macari, Hill
Liverpool: Clemence; Neal, Jones, Smith, Kennedy, Hansen, Daiglish, Case, Fairclough, McDermott, Callaghan

NOTTM FOREST (0) 1 (Burns) 23,741
NORWICH (0) 1 (Peters)
Nottm F: Shilton; Anderson, Barrett, Bow-
yer, Lloyd, Burns, O'Neill, Gemmill, Withe, Woodcock, Robertson
Norwich: Keelan; Bond, Sullivan, Ryan, Jones, Powell, Neighbour, Reeves, Gibbins, Suggett, Peters

WOLVES (0) 3 (Richards 3) 20,009
LEICESTER (0) 0
Wolves: Bradshaw; Palmer, Daly, Daley, Brazier, McAlle, Hibbitt, Carr, Richards, Kindon, Sunderland
Leicester: Wallington; Whitworth, Rofe, Kember, Sims, Webb, Armstrong, Samuels, Waddle, Robertson, Alderson.

SECOND DIVISION

BLACKPOOL (1) 3 (Hutton 3) 8,704
CARDIFF (0) 0
Blackpool: Ward; Milligan, Harrison, McEwan, Suddaby, Hart, Ainscow, Weston, Walsh, Hutton, Finnigan.
Cardiff: Irwin; Dwyer, Attley (Livermore), Campbell, Went, Pontin, Byrne, Buchanan, Robson, Evans, Sayer.

BOLTON (1) 1 (Worthington) 20,799
STOKE (1) 1 (Kendall)
Bolton: McDonagh; Nicholson, Dunne, Greaves, Walsh, Allardye, Morgan, What-
more, Worthington, Reid, Train.
Stoke: Jones; Lumsdon, Lindsay, Kendall, Smith, Dodd, Conroy, Richardson (Johnson), Gregory, Waddington, Crooks.

BURNLEY (0) 0 7,223
MILLWALL (2) 2 (Pearson 2)
Burnley: Stevenson; Newton, Brennan, Ingham, Robinson, Rodaway (Pashley), Coch-
rane, Noble, Smith, Flynn, Loggie.
Millwall: Johns; Donaldson, Walker, Brisley, Kitchener, Hazell, Hamilton, Seaman, Pear-
son, Smith, Chambers.

C. PALACE (1) 2 (Harkouk 2) 28,343
FULHAM (2) 3 (Maybank 2, 1 pen, Gale)
Palace: Burns; Hinshelwood (P), Sansom, Brennan, Cannon, Evans, Swindlehurst (Per-
rin), Chatterton, Hilaire, Bourne, Harkouk.
Fulham: Peyton; Evans, Strong, Howe, Lacy, Gale, Best, Margerrison, Mitchell, Maybank, Evanson.

HULL (0) 0 6,263
MANSFIELD (1) 2 (Moss 2)
Hull: Wealands; Nisbet, DeVries, Bremner, Dobson, Roberts, Haigh, Lord, Warboys, Ban-
nister, Galvin (Sunley).
Mansfield: Arnold; Bird, Phillips, Matthews, Saxby, Wood, Sharkey, Moss, Syrett, Hodg-
son, Aston.

LUTON (0) 2 (Fucillo, Boersma) 7,593
NOTTS CO (0) 0

Luton: Aleksic; Price, Buckley, West, Faulk-
ner, Futchter (P), Husband, Hill, Futchter (R), Fucillo, Boersma.
Notts Co: McManus; Benjamin, O'Brien, Richards (P), Ladd (Sims), Stubbs, Birchenall, Chapman, Bradd, Hooks, Mann.

OLDHAM (0) 0 7,792
BLACKBURN (1) 2 (Lewis, Brotherston)
Oldham: Ogden; Hoolickin, Holt, Bell, Hicks, Edwards, Wood, Valentine, Halom, Chapman, Groves (Young).
Blackburn: Butcher; Hird, Bailey, Metcalfe, Keeley, Fazackerley, Brotherston, Round, Lewis, Parkes, Wagstaffe (Waddington).

ORIENT (0) 1 (Mayo) 24,131
TOTTENHAM (0) 1 (Taylor)
Orient: Jackson; Fisher, Roffey, Grealish, Hoadley, Roeder, Chiedoie, Glover, Mayo, Kitchen, Bennett.
Tottenham: Daines; Naylor, Holmes, Hod-
dle, Osgood, Perryman, Pratt, McNab, Arm-
strong, Robinson, Taylor.

SHEFF. UTD. (3) 3 (Hamson, Woodward, Edwards) 13,109
SOUTHAMPTON (1) 2 (MacDougall, Osgood)
Sheff. U: Brown; Cutbush, Flynn, Speight, Colquhoun, Franks, Woodward, Campbell, Edwards, Salmons, Hamson.
Southampton: Turner; Waldron, Peach, Wil-
liams, Nicholl, Pickering, Ball, Holmes, Osgood, Boyer, MacDougall.

SUNDERLAND (0) 0 24,013
BRIGHTON (2) 2 (Piper, Ward)
Sunderland: Siddall; Docherty (Greenwood), Bolton, Collins, Waldron, Ashurst, Roston, Elliott, Holden, Lee, Rowell.
Brighton: Steele; Tiler, Williams, Horton, Winstanley, Cattlin, Potts, Ward, Mellor, Piper, O'Sullivan.

THIRD DIVISION

CARLISLE (0) 1 (McVitie) 4,611
COLCHESTER (1) 3 (Garwood 2, Gough)
Carlisle: Swinburne; Hoolickin, McCartney, Carr, Macdonald, Parker, McVitie, Ludlam, Tait (Martin), Rafferty, Lathan.
Colchester: Walker; Cook, Wignall, Dyer, Packer, Dowman, Garwood, Gough, Froggatt, Bunkell, Allinson.

CHESTERFIELD 0 3,771
EXETER 0
Chesterfield: Ogroovic; Tartt, Burton, Kow-
alski, Cottam, O'Neill, Jones (Fern), Dearden, Green, Parker, Heppollette.
Exeter: Key; Templeman, Hore, Bowker, Saxton, Hatch, Hodge, Kellow, Randell, Roberts, Jennings.

HEREFORD (1) 2 (Sinclair, Marshall) 5,219
OXFORD (0) 1 (Duncan)
Hereford: Mellor; Emery, Ritchie, Layton, Marshall, Crompton, Briley, Fear, Sinclair, Davey, Spring.
Oxford: Burton; Kingston, Fogg, Bodel, Clarke, Jeffrey, McGrogan, Taylor, Foley, Cur-
ran, Duncan.

PETERBOROUGH 0 5,389
WALSALL 0
Peterborough: Barron; Hindley, Oakes, Doyle, Turner, Ross, Slough, Butlin, Cozens, Carmichael, Robson.



Two goals by Teddy Maybank helped Fulham beat Crystal Palace.

Walsall: Kearns; Taylor, Harrison, Hynd, Serella, Evans, Robertson, Bates, Wood, Buck-
ley, Birch.

PLYMOUTH (0) 1 (Hall) 12,399
GILLINGHAM (1) 3 (Richardson 2, 1 pen, Price)
Plymouth: Barron; Smart, Uzzell, Bason, Foster, Craven, Hall, Dolve, Austin, Trusson, Rogers.
Gillingham: Hillyard; Williams, Armstrong, Knight, Shipperley, Crabbe, Nicholl, Hunt, Price, Westwood, Richardson.

PORTSMOUTH (2) 2 (Foster, Kemp) 12,020
SHEFF. WED. (1) 2 (Bradshaw, Tynan)
Portsmouth: Middleton; Roberts, Wilson, Piper, Foster, Denyer, Gilchrist, Kemp, Stokes, Mellows, Barnard.
Sheff. W: Turner; Walden, Rushbury, Mul-
len, Cusack, Leman, Wylde, Johnson, Prender-
gast (Tynan), Gregson, Bradshaw.

PORT VALE (0) 1 (Cullerton) 3,672
BURY (2) 2 (Rowland, Harris o.g.)
Port Vale: Dance; McGifford, Griffiths, Rid-
ley, Harris, Bentley, Beech, Lamb, Sutcliffe, Beamish, Hemmerman (Cullerton).
Bury: Forrest; Keenan, Kennedy, Thomson, Tucker, Hutton, Woolfall, Stanton, Rowland, Entwistle, Robins.

PRESTON (0) 2 (Bruce, Baxter) 5,319
CAMBRIDGE (0) 0
Preston: Tunks; Cameron, Wilson, Doyle, Baxter, Cross, Coleman, Haslegrave, Smith, Elwies, Bruce.
Cambridge: Webster; Batson, Murray, Stringer, Fallon, Howard, Watson, Streete (Spriggs), Silvester, Finney, Biley.

ROTHERHAM (2) 2 (Rhodes, Breckin) 5,878
BRADFORD C. (0) 1 (Watson)
Rotherham: McAlister; Forrest, Breckin, Rhodes, Stancliffe, Green, Finney, Phillips, Gwyther, Goodfellow, Crawford.
Bradford: Downsbrough; Hardcastle, Spark, Fretwell, Nicholls (Martinez), Middleton, Watson, Dolan, Cooke, Wright, Hutchins.

WREXHAM (0) 1 (Shinton) 5,939
LINCOLN (0) 0
Wrexham: Davies; Evans, Dwyer, Davis, Cegielski, Thomas, Shinton, Cartwright (Grif-
fiths), McNeil, Sutton, Whittle.
Lincoln: Grotier; Neale, Leigh, Booth, Wig-
ginton, Crombie, Hubbard, Graham (Cooper), Cork, Smith, Fleming.

FOURTH DIVISION

BARNLEY (1) 2 (Price, Pugh) 4,597
YORK (1) 1 (Pollard)
Barnley: Springett; Murphy, Collins, Pugh, Saunders, McCarthy, Warnock, Price, Wigg, Little (Joyce), Collier.
York: Neenan; Scott, Hutt, Woodward, Top-
ping, James, Pollard, Holmes (Mitchell), Young, Hoy, Staniforth.

BOURNEMOUTH (2) 3 (Showers 2, Johnson) 3,077
SOUTHPORT (1) 1 (O'Neil pen.)
Bournemouth: Baker; Cunningham, Miller, Impey, Phillips-Masters, Barton, Cave, Butler (Johnson), Howarth, Showers, Lennard.
Southport: Harrison; Kisby, Snookes, O'Neil, Brooks, Higham, Wilson, Jones, Ashworth, Fisher (Hilton), Gay.

BRENTFORD (1) 4 (Phillips 2, 1 pen, Graham, Lloyd) 6,240
HALIFAX (0) 1 (Bullock)
Brentford: Bond; Fraser, Allen, Lloyd, Sal-
man, Shrub, Carlton, Graham (J), Sweetzer, McCulloch, Phillips.
Halifax: Lennard; Flavell, Loska, Smith, Alcock, Dunleavy, Carroll, Bell (Horsfall), Bul-
lock, Lawson, Trainer.

CREWE (0) 1 (Bowles) 2,051
HARTLEPOOL (0) 0
Crewe: Crudgington; Collier, Cheetham, Rimmer, Bowles, Bevan, Davies (D), McGinley, Purdie, Coyne, Tully.
Hartlepool: Edgar; Creamer, Wigggett, Gibb, Ayre, Simpkin, Linacre (Darling), Downing, Newton, Poskett, Bielby.

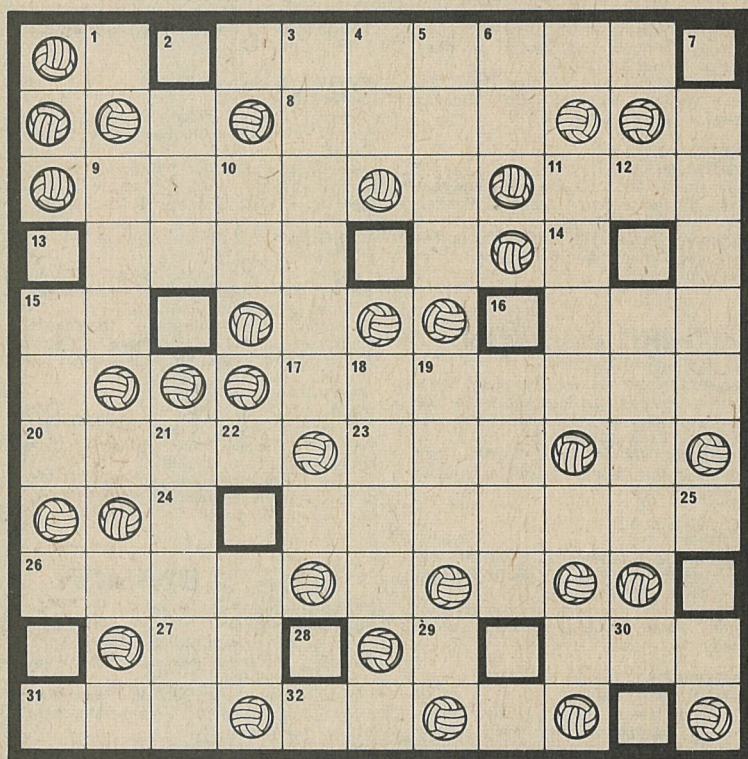
DARLINGTON (2) 2 (Nattress, Craig) 1,776
STOCKPORT (1) 2 (Prudham, Park)
Darlington: Owers; Hague, Cochrane, Nat-
tress, Craig, Stone, Lyons, Rowles, Maitland, Seal, Wann.
Stockport: Rogan; Lawler, Rutter, Loadwick, Thompson, Fogarty, Summerbee, Halford, Park, Prudham, Massey.

CONTINUED NEXT WEEK.
DON'T FORGET TO ORDER
YOUR SHOOT

Go for the Double

After solving the clues in this specially compiled crossword, you can use the letters in the thick-edged squares to form the name of a Birmingham City and England striker.

Answers on page 42.



ACROSS:

- (1) Norwich City full-back. (5 & 5)
- (8) Mill----. Ground of Rotherham United.
- (9) Catch one's breath. Perhaps at an incident on the pitch.
- (11) A-erd--n from Pittodrie Stadium.
- (13) Leader of the team.
- (14) ---rton play at Goodison Park.
- (15) South-m--on, F.A. Cup winners in 1976.
- (16) Special achievement — like a double hat-trick in a match, for instance!
- (17) In the direction of; approach.
- (20) Take four letters from the surname of Arsenal's David Price for a grand poem.
- (23) Crystal ---ace from Selhurst Park.
- (24) Manchester City striker.
- (26) Become less energetic through fatigue.
- (27) Richie P--li-g of Arsenal.
- (29) C----- Road, home of Norwich City.
- (31) -ol-neu- (Wolves ground).
- (32) Brian Greenh--f of Manchester United.

DOWN:

- (2) --nn--ice -ark (Dundee United). Modify from the missing letters.
- (3) Force of striking. As the player's boot with the ball.
- (4) Wimbledon, are nicknamed The --ns.
- (5) Elton --, famous Watford chairman.
- (6) Dennis M--timer, of Aston Villa.
- (7) ---n-ou--muir. Bed-linen from the omissions.
- (9) Space. Perhaps through which the striker can score.
- (10) ---Etienne; top club from France.
- (11) Drink required at --ll- Vue G-ound, Doncaster.
- (12) Dodged or eluded.
- (13) G--ry Fr-n-is (Q.P.R.) needs attention when reversed.
- (16) Scottish club from Brockville Park.
- (18) Prest-n North End play at Dee-d--e.
- (19) Dave --tso- of Manchester City.
- (21) --- Stadium, home of Rangers.
- (22) ----e Alexandra.
- (25) St. An-r--s, Birmingham City's ground.
- (26) --- Finney, "Footballer of the Year", 1953/4.
- (28) Plai-m-or, Torquay United's ground.
- (30) Terry Nayl-- of Spurs.

PHANTOM FAN WHISTLER

A WHISTLER in the crowd cost Rosario Central a home point in an Argentinian First Division game with Llanus. Rosario were leading 3-2 near the end when Llanus broke away. The Rosario defenders stood waiting for the offside whistle . . . and heard it, while the man in possession went on to score. The referee insisted it wasn't him who whistled and allowed the goal to stand after a terrible argument with the Rosario players.

"WEST GERMAN referees prefer Spanish whistles." That's the sweeping claim made by an Alicante firm of — would you believe? — whistle-makers.

"Bundesliga referees," they explain, "have stated quite clearly that they prefer the clear sharp tone which can only be achieved using our secret process. Officials of all sports from all over the world are queueing to buy our superior whistles."

Sounds like a case of minding your peas . . .

Dudu's goals

● No doubt you saw the picture of Dudu Georgescu, the Dynamo Bucharest forward, receiving his Adidas Golden Boot award for being Europe's top First Division League scorer last season.

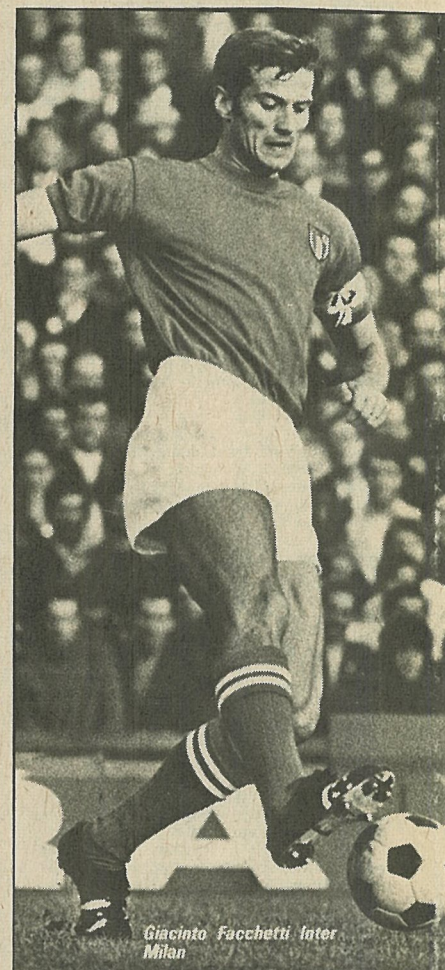
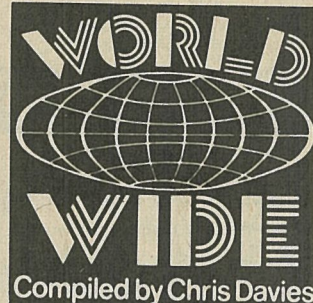
The problem is . . . how many goals did the Rumanian score? Even Adidas, who co-sponsor the award, don't seem to know.

In August they told me Dudu had scored 41 goals, but on the Press handout for the presentation, the figure had been changed to 43.

The confusion doesn't end there. The magazine France Football, who sponsor the award with Adidas, claim Dudu scored just 37 goals. In Rumania they say he grabbed 47 — yet in the F.I.F.A. News an article claimed Dudu's total was 38!

Surely it's not THAT difficult to find out how many goals Europe's top scorer (that part seems clear at least!) scored last season?

PERUVIAN REFEREE Luis Abadie has been banned for life by the Peruvian F.A. after he admitted accepting a bribe to "bend" a Cup match. Abadie said he was motivated by domestic money problems.



Giacinto Facchetti Inter Milan

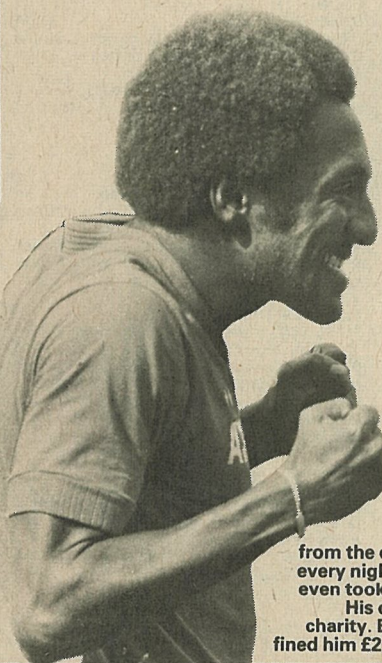
● One of the biggest shocks in Holland for a long time — Ajax 1, Volendam 2. Volendam had to select EIGHT reserves owing to injuries and suspensions and even travelled to Amsterdam without any substitutes! Geels gave Ajax the lead after two minutes, yet somehow tiny Volendam pulled themselves back and won 2-1. Dutch fans could hardly believe the result!

THE DISAPPEARING BRAZILIAN

PAULO CESAR LIMA (left, the black Paulo César), who was recalled to the Brazil team by Cláudio Coutinho, has given his critics some more ammunition to contend that he shouldn't be in the team next year.

He has had a very poor season playing for Botafogo and, what is worse, has again relapsed in to some of his old ways. Recently, he disappeared from the club for 16 days, but could be seen dancing every night in the "New York City Discothèque" and even took part, as a paid model, in a fashion parade.

His only excuse is that he gave the proceeds to charity. Botafogo were less charitable, though, and fined him £2,000.



Goal-shy wonders

AS I DID last season, I'm going to keep tabs on the major European Leagues and from time to time pick out the Goal-Shy Wonders — the teams who amass more points than goals. If a team has more points than goals, then it's a fair bet they specialise in 1-0 wins and 0-0 draws: in other words they're the least attractive teams to watch...

Here's the first list of the season, taking into account all the games played in September:

Belgium.....	Beringen, Lierse
Bulgaria.....	Pirine, Spartak Varna
Czechoslovakia.....	None
England.....	Ipswich, Norwich, Leicester, Liverpool
France.....	Stade Reims
Holland.....	NAC Breda, Haarlem
Hungary.....	Diosgyoer
Italy.....	Bologna, Verona, Atlanta, Inter Milan, Lanerossi
Poland.....	Lodz SK, Lech Poznan, Arka Gdynia, Stal Mielec, Szombierski Byton, Odra Opole
Portugal.....	Benfica, Riopelle, Sporting Braga, Sporting Espinho
Rumania.....	Sportul, Craiova, Tirovoviste, Bacau
Scotland.....	Dundee Utd, Hibs
Spain.....	Barcelona, Betis, Sporting Gijon, Athletic Bilbao
Sweden.....	None
Switzerland.....	Chenosis
Turkey.....	Galatasaray, Orduspor, Ankaragucu, Trabzonspor, Besiktas
West Germany.....	None
Yugoslavia.....	Radnicki Nis, FC Rijeka

Once again, the table seems to bear out the fact that the West German Bundesliga provides spectators with the best value for money — high quality football with goals. One can only feel sorry for fans in Poland and Turkey, where a very high percentage of matches end with scorelines of 0-0 and 1-0.

Still, it's early days yet, and I'll keep you in touch with the Goal-Shy Wonders as more of the European Leagues get under way.

FROM GAOL TO GOAL

● Last March I reported that Maltese international goalkeeper Alfred Debono (right) had been imprisoned for a drugs offence in Libya.

In Malta, Debono's club, Valetta, together with the government, did their best to ensure the player was returned to the island and a petition amassed thousands of signatures.

Their efforts have been rewarded and Debono is now home in Malta. He was quickly back in training and was recently picked for the international against Tunisia, when he was outstanding.

I said in March it was from goal to gaol... now it's been reversed.



WEST GERMAN BUNDESLIGA clubs Schalke 04 and MSV Duisberg fielded a combined team in a friendly v. Real Madrid recently while West Germany were playing an international game. The venture was such a financial success that Emil Ostreicher, business manager of Honved

in the days of Ferenc Puskas and later with Real Madrid during di Stefano's time, persuaded his club Schalke to do the same next summer, taking a combined team to tour South America while the West German national team prepares for the World Cup.



1. FC Köln have signed Japanese international left-winger or centre-forward Yasuhiko Okudera, a 24-year-old who had a spell on trial with the West German club last season. Here is Yasuhiko with Cologne president Peter Weiland.

Murder charge for Colombian star

● One person died and two were seriously injured in a brawl after the Colombian League match between Cristal Caldas and Pereira. Fierce fighting broke out between rival bands of supporters, and police couldn't control a mob battling furiously with bottles, knives and stones.

When peace was finally restored, police arrested 21 fans.

Still in Colombia, left-winger Libardo Zuniga met a tragic death in a League match at Santa Rosa de Cabal. Zuniga had to take over between the posts when his team's goalkeeper was injured, and proceeded to give a sensational display of goalkeeping.

This annoyed the opposing forwards so much that when Zuniga made yet another good save, one of them charged in and kicked him as hard as he could in the groin.

The stand-in 'keeper died almost immediately and the forward is in jail charged with murder.

NEWS FLASHES

Spanish First Division newcomers Rayo Vallecano suspended their 27-year-old Paraguayan midfielder Diaz for refusing to wear a tie while travelling to away games.

Portugal's 4-2 away World Cup win against Denmark was a personal triumph for Juca Pereira, manager of Academica (Coimbra University). He took over the job only three weeks before the game when Jose Maria Pedroto (FC Porto) suddenly resigned.

Swiss First Division clubs have been hit by an unexpected drop in attendances this season, and many are playing below break-even level. So far this season the average First Division crowd has been 6,085 compared to an average of 8,300 last season at the same stage.

The draw for the World Cup Finals is scheduled for 14th January at the Centro Cultural San Martin, Buenos Aires, at 18.00 local time. The draw is expected to be televised worldwide, which is 10 pm here.

Franz Beckenbauer has denied reports in West German newspapers that he will be playing in the World Cup Finals.

Widzew Lodz, who knocked Manchester City out of the U.E.F.A. Cup, moved off the bottom of the Polish First Division with ten games played.

● When Ipswich Town travelled to Sweden for their U.E.F.A. Cup First Round tie against Landskrona they were surprised to receive local support.

A group of Swedes from Malmo, about 30 miles from where the game was taking place, looked more like a party from Ipswich with their blue and white scarves, rosettes, badges and scrapbooks full of pictures of the Town players.

Student Michael Holst explained: "Our favourite team is Ipswich Town and we couldn't miss this chance to see them play. We saw them in Malmo earlier in the year, but that was only a six-a-side competition."

Michael said Town's Swedish fans depended on newspapers and magazines like SHOOT for news of Ipswich and the English soccer scene in general.

Ipswich Public Relations Officer Mel Henderson, who met the fans in Sweden, said: "I was amazed at their knowledge of the club. They're so keen they've volunteered to open up the Swedish branch of our supporters club."

OFF... FOR ARGUING WITH CRUYFF

BARCELONA prolonged their remarkable record with a comfortable 3-0 home win over Racing Santander. This meant that they'd played nine hours of League football without conceding a goal. In the same match, their 25-year-old Argentinian-born striker Juan Carlos Heredia became the centre of a minor storm when he began to argue with team-mate Johan Cruyff.

The referee finally intervened in their personal row, and showed Heredia the yellow card. What's more, manager Rinus Michels immediately decided to call off Heredia, and the Argentinian promptly ripped off his red-and-blue shirt and threw it to the ground.

This didn't go down at all well with the Barca fans, and on the following day Heredia had to call a Press conference to explain that it had merely been a flash of temper and that he hadn't meant to insult the club's colours...

A novel phone idea has been introduced in Nuremberg, West Germany. Five minutes after the end of the Bundesliga games each Saturday, fans can dial 21-62-61 and hear a recorded message giving all the results.

Spanish club Espanol have splashed out £140,000 on Real Sociedad's 25-year-old reserve 'keeper Urruticoechea. How's that for a name — can you imagine THAT being chanted by the fans!

Hugo Arieta, a referee from Ecuador, should have officiated at the Deportivo Cali versus Nacional South American Champions Cup game. Three days before the game he went down with flu and cried off, and the plane he was booked to fly on crashed — killing all 33 passengers.

Bundesliga club Eintracht Frankfurt have sold the advertising space on their players' shirts to a tobacco company. The West German players will carry the word 'SAMSON' on their chests, and Eintracht will receive 250,000 DM (over £60,000) for the rest of the season.

AC Milan's Gianni Rivera recently became the father of a daughter called Nicole. But he doesn't think this is a national event and refuses to let her be photographed by the Press.

Former Scotland manager Willie Ormond will no doubt be toasting this year's Champion New Zealand club, North Shore United. His nephew, Duncan, helped engineer Shore's League title win ahead of Top Out — a side that was led by former Barnsley player Ian Ormond who, of course, is another nephew.

BRAZIL'S WORLD CUP BUILD-UP

BRAZIL'S programme for the run-up to the World Cup is as follows:

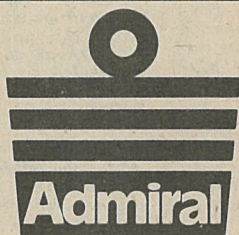
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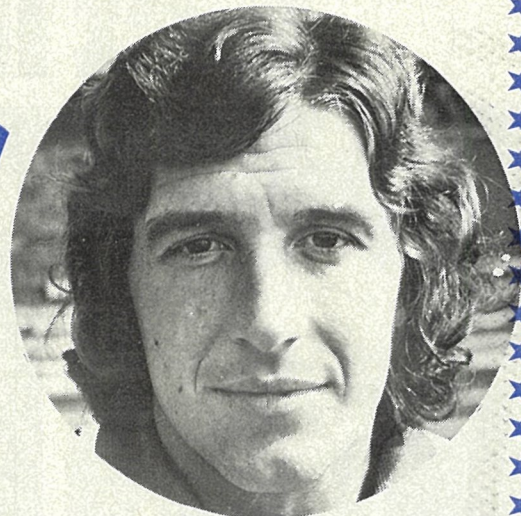
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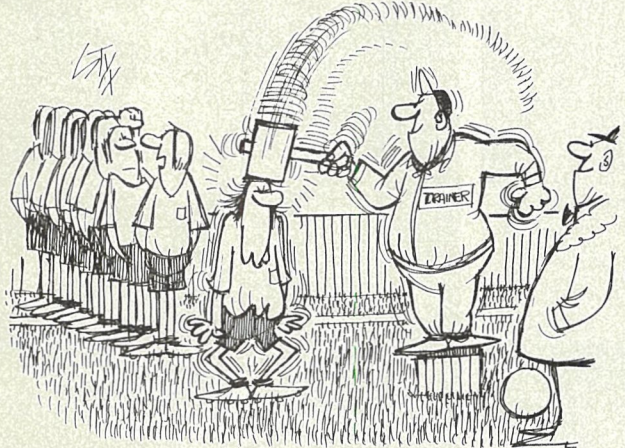
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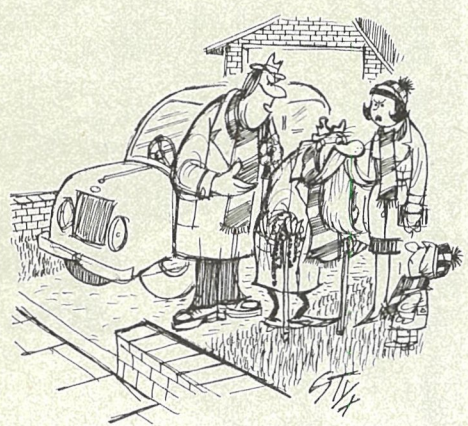
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"It's supposed to strengthen the neck muscles for when we head a heavy, muddy ball"



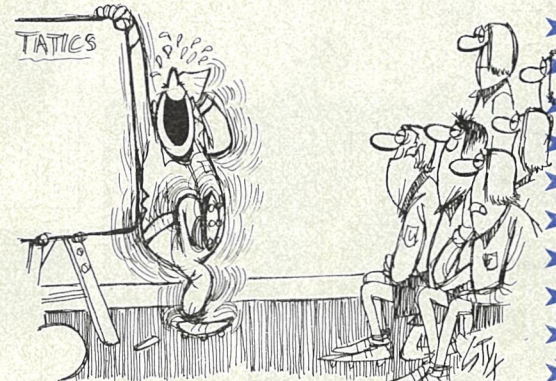
"That goal from the corner was a blatant case of interference with the goalkeeper, ref. Some rotter tied my boot laces together"



"Before we go to the match, grandad — that bicycle chain — give"



"I wish you hadn't told him we are on Match of the Day"



"Oh, crumbs. When I explain the finer points of football — you ought to see the look on your faces"

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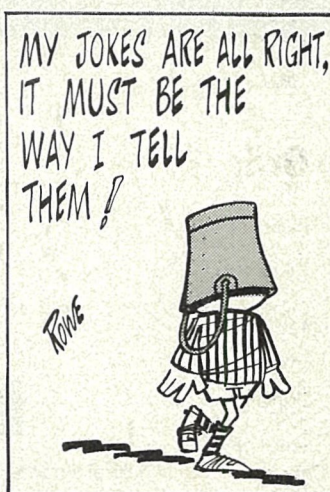
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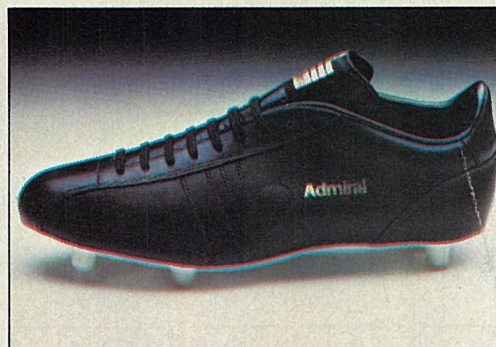
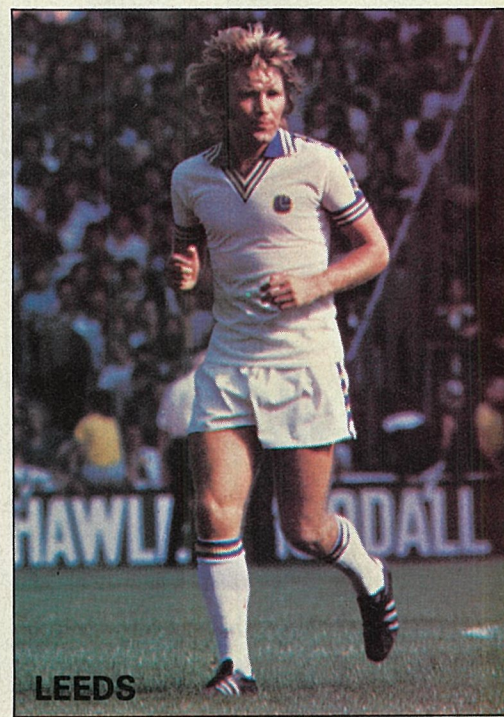
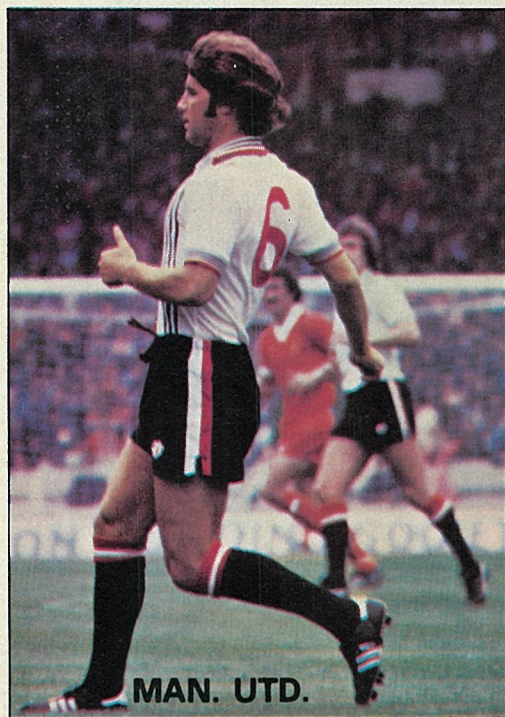


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WEIGHT: 11st 10lb

PREVIOUS CLUBS: Stevenage Town, Barnet

MARRIED: To Philippa

CHILDREN: Lisa (8) and David (6)

CAR: No — push-bike only

FAVOURITE PLAYER: John Mitchell (Fulham)

FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Manchester United

MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: Tony Dunne of Bolton Wanderers

MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: When we clinched promotion against Preston

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: When all my lettuces and tomatoes died during the summer

BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Germany

FAVOURITE FOOD: Liver, bacon and onions

MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Playing cricket, having a flutter on the horses

MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Shaving, getting up in the morning

FAVOURITE T.V. SHOWS: I.T.V. Seven, M*A*S*H, I Claudius

FAVOURITE SINGERS: Abba, Carpenters, Neil Diamond

FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: Clint Eastwood, Faye Dunaway

BEST FRIENDS: All the lads at Charlton (I hope)

BIGGEST INFLUENCES ON CAREER: Don Monk and Gerry Evans, my two sports teachers at Barclay School, Stevenage

BIGGEST DRAG IN SOCCER: Travelling home after an away defeat

INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: None

PERSONAL AMBITION: To be happy and secure

PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To play in the First Division with Charlton

IF YOU WEREN'T A FOOTBALLER WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'D BE? A plastic surgeon, then I'd be able to reset Dick Tydeman's nose (team-mate)!

WHICH PERSON IN THE WORLD WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET? Racing commentator Peter O'Sullivan

'STRIKERS WHO COULD PUT BACK ON

STRIKERS have always commanded the top transfer fees. Now, with more and more clubs adopting attacking policies they are becoming more and more valuable than ever.

England's lack of fire-power up-front has prompted people to suggest this country hasn't any top-class marksmen. This isn't the case at all.

In my opinion we have the men and youngsters to restore some of our lost prestige at club and international level.

The ace striker in the pack for me at the moment is Everton's Bob Latchford, who has been the club's top-scorer for each of his three seasons at Goodison since his record-breaking £350,000 move from Birmingham City in February, 1974.

Despite this consistency, Bob hasn't been given the chance to prove himself at full international level. Although he did win half-a-dozen Under-23 caps.

This season Latchford is bang in form as his four goals against Q.P.R. proved (see pages 18-19).

If Bob is to make the big breakthrough as an England player it must be now, while he is on song.

He is the ideal target-man... big, brave, strong and dependable.

Another six-figure signing, hot on the goal-trail this term is Leeds United's Ray Hankin, who cost the club £200,000 from Burnley in September, 1976.

Ray missed much of last season because of injury, but he is now fully fit and really looking sharp, especially in the air.

Paul Mariner and Trevor Whymark are certainly on the ball for Ipswich, but failed to reproduce that form for England in Luxembourg.

Substitute

Obviously it's unfair to judge them on that performance, especially as Trevor only came on as a second-half substitute.

Given an extended run, this combination could work wonders at international level.

Most critics have campaigned for the rapid promotion of the young Brighton striker Peter Ward to the full England team.

He has all the qualities of a top-class striker, but I feel it's a little too early to compare him with the likes of Jimmy Greaves. It's also unfair.

Peter is always willing to take defenders on. He also has the ability to take and make goals.

His skill and tactical knowledge is remarkable for someone who has only been on the soccer scene for just over a year.

Naturally I hope Wardie does eventually live up to his enormous potential. I bet many other countries would love to have someone like him waiting in the international wings.

West Brom's Cyrille Regis is another young striker to make a sensational impact on the game.

Hauled out of non-League football last season, this lad could turn

my soccer scene GORDON HILL

out to be one of the discoveries of the age. Cyrille was born in French Guinea but I hope he is eligible to play for England.

He made his debut in a League Cup-tie against Rotherham this season because of injury, and scored twice.

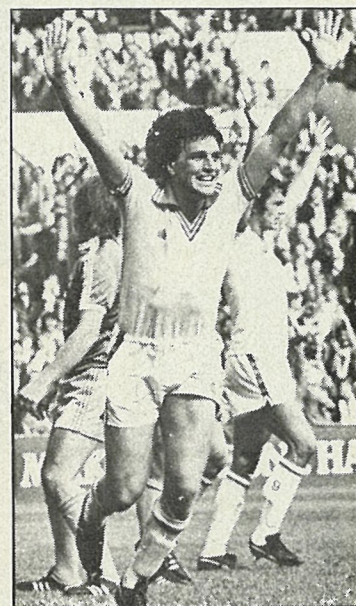
Manager Ronnie Allen said afterwards that he hadn't really wanted to play him in the first team for some time. He would have preferred Cyrille to adjust to life as a

Apart from his striking skill, Mick provides a lot of chances for teammate Ian Wallace, another fine Scot.

Nottingham Forest's Peter Withe is enjoying a tremendous new lease of life under Brian Clough.

Practically given away by Wolves and Birmingham, Peter has shot his way to fame this season by hitting four against Ipswich Town and leading the First Division's scoring charts.

Down in the Second, Charlton's Mike Flanagan is attracting the attention of the big clubs with his



Following injury, Leeds United's Ray Hankin (above), is bang in form this season. Charlton's Mike Flanagan (left) is one of the hottest properties in the Second Division.



professional first and then ease his way to the top.

Strong, fast, lethal in the box, this young man could form a tremendously exciting partnership with Laurie Cunningham, another of England's budding black powermen.

Aston Villa's Brian Little is already an international, with just one cap. But his form this season suggests further recognition.

Out for a spell because of injury, Brian is back to his devastating best, alongside another of this country's fine young prospects John Deehan.

A pity Andy Gray is a Scotsman. These three could well prove match-winners for England.

Still in the Midlands, Mick Ferguson is having his best spell at Coventry City.



ENGLAND TARGET'

striking ability.

Mike has really come into his own since Derek Hales was transferred to Derby County last season. Judging from reports I've read and heard, he would certainly command a similar fee if Charlton could be persuaded to sell.

Rejected by Spurs as a youngster Flanagan recently thumped a hat-trick past them at The Valley.

A nice, genuine guy, who should go far in the game. I wish him every success.

And what about Liverpool's Jimmy Case? In superb form this season, he's another of the strikers who could well put England back on target.

This Saturday, United face one of the country's leading marksmen, Malcolm Macdonald, when Arsenal visit Old Trafford.

Supermac is out of the international cold at the moment, but I've a feeling he'll be back.

A lean spell is one of the hazards all top goalscorers have to face at some time or other.

Malcolm's experienced them in the past and come back better and more deadlier than ever.

Alongside Supermac is another fine front-runner, Frank Stapleton.

An Eire international, he is a superb competitor whose unselfish running helped Macdonald score many of his 25 League goals last term.

Frank notched one against United at Old T. last time out, but he couldn't stop us winning 3-2... a week before the F.A. Cup Final.

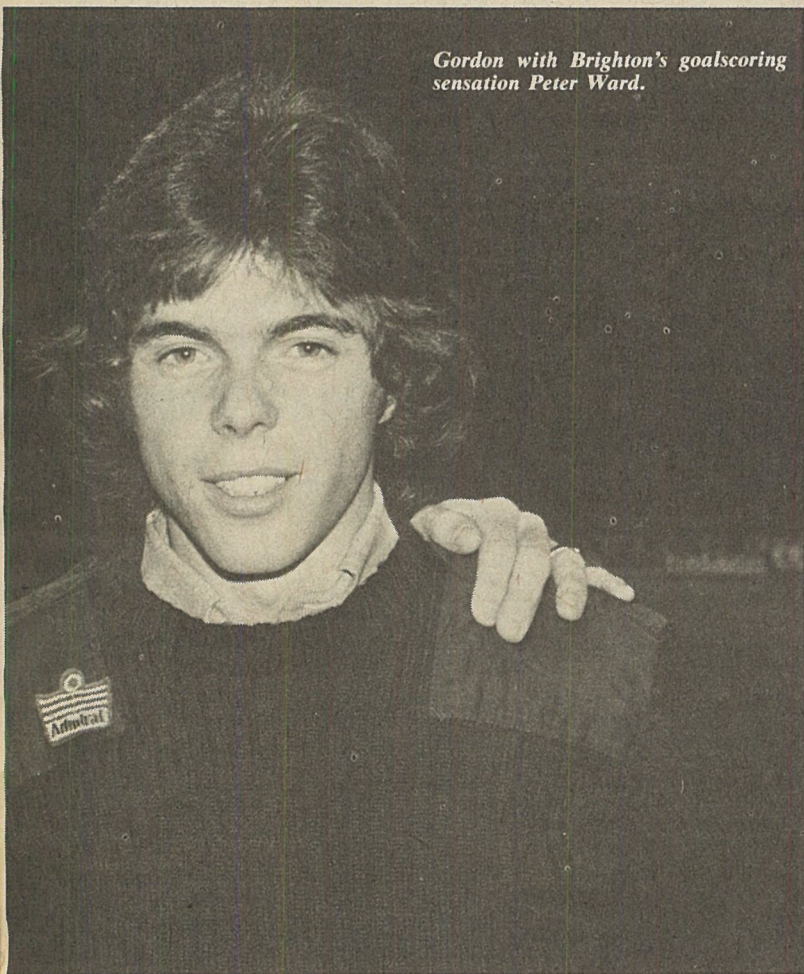
I always enjoy playing against Arsenal. Like United they are a club with great tradition and ideals.

As I've said before, The Gunners look to be the only club in London capable of winning honours this season... although not good enough to take both points home at the weekend.

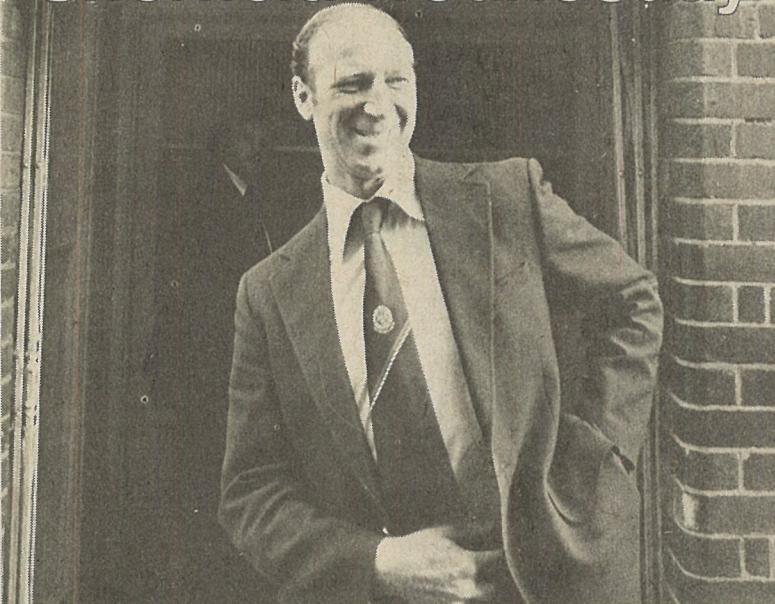
Seems I've run out of space again. So, cheers for now. See you in seven days time when I'll be talking about England's World Cup-tie against Italy at Wembley.

Gordon Hill

Gordon with Brighton's goalscoring sensation Peter Ward.



Why Jack Charlton could LEAVE Sheffield Wednesday



WHEN FORMER Middlesbrough manager Jack Charlton accepted an invitation from Sheffield Wednesday to watch the home match with Chesterfield, he had no thoughts of a quick decision over his future. Big Jack refused VIP treatment. When he arrived at Hillsborough he bought £2 stand tickets for his wife, Pat, and himself and watched the game with the fans.

Big Jack intended to leave five minutes from the end and spend the weekend at his North Yorkshire home deciding on the offer to take charge of the struggling Third Division club. Instead, he visited the boardroom and, suddenly, to the delight of the directors, Charlton announced: "I will take the job."

The former Leeds United star has happy memories of stirring battles when the Wednesday held a higher place in the football world. He relishes the challenge of restoring a once-famous club with a magnificent stadium. Yet a demonstration of fan power clinched his decision.

Charlton was tremendously impressed by the sheer enthusiasm of the Wednesday supporters for a rock-bottom team striving for their first League win of the season.

"I was amazed. There was no quality out there on the pitch. Yet the fans were fantastic," said Charlton.

"It made me wonder what would happen if the team got a few wins under their belt. The prospect excited me."

Charlton did not mince words with the directors. In his usual forthright manner, he told them: "It is going to be a hard, uphill

battle. There is a lot to do and I know nothing about the Third Division."

Jack insisted on no contract. He has such confidence in his ability he does not seek "security" from any club. Nor does he feel any club should be held to ransom over a contract if they want to get rid of him.

Charlton laid down one condition... immediate release if the England job ever came his way. The Wednesday were happy to oblige. They were so excited over their "capture" they would have granted any wish.

Astonishingly, Charlton walked away from Hillsborough without even discussing terms!

Charlton is in the fortunate position of being financially independent from the game. He is in a position to choose. That is why he turned down Birmingham City, Derby County, West Bromwich Albion, Sheffield United and offers from abroad.

Born in Ashington, groomed to stardom by Leeds United, Charlton has a love of Northern life. Neither London nor the Midlands interest him. He ended his self-imposed exile from the game because the right offer came up at the right time.

"Football is my life," he says. "I am happy to be back. I start at the bottom, so there is only one way the Wednesday can go."

Charlton inspired Middlesbrough with his first crack at management. Now they are established in the First Division. Big Jack won't be happy until Sheffield Wednesday are in the top flight. Then those loyal fans will really have something to shout about.



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Tartan Talk

DANNY McGRAIN

Dalglish — one week I will write this column without mentioning his name — scored an absolutely vintage effort.

The champagne was taken off the ice and we were undeniably in World Cup Finals business.

There is a long way to go yet, of course, before we get that beautiful trophy back to Glasgow, but I don't think any Scot who was there . . . and that is over 30,000 of us . . . will ever forget the scenes at Anfield.

"fringe" players such as Stewart Houston of Manchester United, Davie Cooper and Gordon Smith of Rangers and Tony Fitzpatrick of St Mirren who are all likely to be quoted when the boss registers his pool of 40 with F.I.F.A.

The reassuring thing is the list of names who are good enough for the squad is endless.

Scottish football is buzzing, even if things aren't going too well at Parkhead. People are asking awkward

questions about what's gone wrong with the Champions. I wish I knew the answers!

But no matter how bad things are for any international player at club level, it is always easy to step into a quality side like Scotland and turn it on. If you can play at all your ability doesn't disappear overnight.

Scotland's success is a team effort with every one of the 22 players in the pool playing for one another . . . and of course that incredible support which just has to be the best in the world.

We want a couple of games at Hampden before next year's British Championship to honour and say "thanks" to the tartan army.

I think they got a raw deal at Anfield when the police stopped Ally and the boys doing a lap of honour. I agree with those who say there would have been no trouble at all if we had been allowed to salute our fans.

Still, I'm sure we will make up for it all when we have a massive celebration party at Hampden next summer to show off the World Cup.

Meanwhile back on the domestic front this Saturday (November 5) we take on Motherwell at Fir Park. A tough one this, as they all seem to be these days, with 'Well like ourselves desperate to get back on the straight and narrow after a shock defeat by Clydebank and a real drubbing by Rangers.

Former Celt Vic Davidson is in sparkling form for them this season but surely we'll get it all together this time?

See you in two weeks . . .

Danny McGrain

NEXT WEEK'S TARTAN TALK BY RANGERS' SKIPPER JOHN GREIG

'We must honour our tartan army'

FOR the second consecutive World Cup Finals, Scotland will be Britain's sole representatives. My apologies to all South of the border, but only a miracle will save England's chances now.

Scotland need no such thing.

The undeniable fact is we will be playing in the Argentine next summer for the most glorious prize in sport . . . and the eyes of the whole U.K. will be on us.

In case you have been snow-bound in Siberia and didn't hear, Scotland booked their ticket to South America on an incredible October night at Anfield, Liverpool, at the expense of a brave and talented Welsh national side.

It was a game of mixed feelings for me. I was sick I couldn't play because of an ankle injury, but over the moon the boys qualified for the Finals.

But I think I can fairly claim I played my part in earlier games!

What an emotional, fantastic night it was. We blasted Wales in the opening minutes then let them have the game for the next hour. But the boys stood up and were counted when it really mattered.

Ice-cool Don Masson slotted home a penalty and then Kenny

And yet, to be honest, I don't think it was quite as emotional as it was back in 1973 when we qualified for the West German Finals.

Two consecutive World Cups is no mean feat and from here on in anything is possible. I don't think anyone EXPECTS us to win the Cup, but most people will be surprised that if given a decent draw we don't reach the last eight.

I think we can go forward from our unbeaten show in West Germany.

It is vital that between now and the British Championship next Spring, we get two or three friendlies in.

I would like to meet sides of the quality of East Germany or Spain at Hampden, but I do acknowledge there is a certain attraction in following the philosophy of the Hungarian national side of the early Fifties.

It was their policy to play amateur sides and other similar outfits in warm-up games and run up enormous scorelines. It was something to do with the psychology of finding the net.

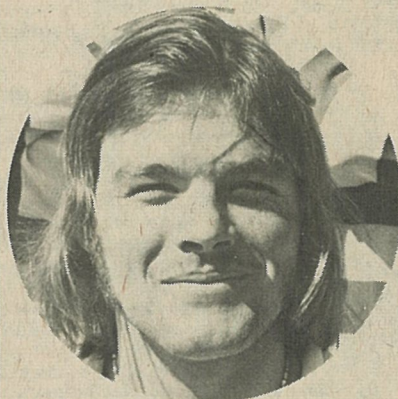
But games against such as the Spaniards would be a better test for manager Ally MacLeod to try out



The Scottish fans in full cry during the World Cup qualifying clash with Wales at Anfield last month.



Can World Cup success boost Scottish soccer?



DAVID HAYES

SHOOT: Do you think the success of your country on the international front will have any effect on the domestic scene?

HAYES: I'm certain it will. For instance, the Saturday after the 2-0 victory over Wales at Anfield there were bigger gates at just about every match in Scotland. That wasn't just a coincidence. A good run in the World Cup is bound to work up enthusiasm among supporters.

DAVIDSON: To answer that question you just have to have a look at the English scene in 1966 after England had won the World Cup. I believe there was a real boom in attendances then. The main thing, of course, is to keep the fans coming in. There's no point in keeping them for a couple of games and then losing them again. But, yes, I do feel Scotland's success will rub off on the clubs.

HAYES: I've got to agree with both Bobby and Vic. Some fans lost interest in football for one reason

or another. Now some of them are coming back and that is great to see. They are revitalised and it is up to the teams to make sure they do not lose that enthusiasm. Obviously not every club can actually win something, but if you play open, attacking, attractive soccer then the fans will have no cause for complaint.

Today we put three Home Scots on the spot to get their answers to some of our questions. From the Premier Division Partick Thistle's Bobby Houston and Motherwell's Vic Davidson give their views while Morton skipper Davie Hayes expresses his frank opinions from the First Division.

SHOOT: Do you think tactics are boring the fans?

HOUSTON: Every club needs tactics, there can be no arguing about that. Gone are the days when a team could have been put on the park and told to play it off the cuff for 90 minutes. However, I do believe in freedom of expression. Remember, football is an entertainment and the fans don't want to see two teams of robots. They want to see skill and flair and adventure. Negative tactics can kill off the excitement and I am all against that.

DAVIDSON: I think some of today's supporters can understand tactics and accept it as part and parcel of



BOBBY HOUSTON



VIC DAVIDSON



Scotland in World Cup Finals action v. Brazil (above) in 1974. And against Wales (below) at Anfield when they won through to Argentina.



the game. They can talk about 4-2-4 and 4-3-3 and 4-4-2 quite well, but, naturally, the main thing they want to see is goals. They want their club to be successful and, like Bobby says, they want to be entertained. I've played in exciting goal-less draws where there have been plenty of goalmouth incidents and the fans have had a lot to cheer. Obviously if it had finished something like 5-5 it would have been rated in the "super game" bracket. Some scorelines just do not reflect how exciting the game was and sometimes, unfortunately, a goal-



Hearts were knocked out of Europe by Hamburger SV last season. The West Germans went on to win the Cup-Winners' Cup.

less draw is termed as a success for tactics and a defeat for football. HAYES: Tactics play a vital part in Morton's success story, but our plans are always aimed at going forward. Sometimes when you mention tactics people think it is a dirty word. They immediately associate it with defensive football. I suppose they have been brainwashed into believing the Italians invented tactics and all Italian teams play defensively. But don't forget the likes of Brazil helped to introduce tactics and I've never heard of them being called a defensive side although they were hardly as adventurous as they can be in the 1974 World Cup in West Germany. Tactics have a role to play in today's modern soccer world. Only negative tactics will bore the fans.

SHOOT: Why has Scotland's record in Europe not been very impressive in recent seasons?

HOUSTON: That's an extremely difficult one to answer and I wish you hadn't asked it! People have said Scottish clubs haven't been able to adapt to European soccer, but I can't believe that. Possibly we haven't kept pace with the ever-changing facets of the game. Not too long ago teams would come to Scotland and just play defensively, hoping for a draw or to keep the score down to one. Now, though, they are always looking for that quick break. Take RWD Molenbeek, of Belgium, for instance. They played Aberdeen in the U.E.F.A. Cup and could only draw 0-0 in the first-leg on their own territory. However, they didn't believe they had lost their advantage. They still expected to get a result at Pittodrie and, in the end, they won 2-1. Maybe the Scots clubs will have to play it cool on their own home ground and not hammer away for 90 minutes and then be caught on the break.

DAVIDSON: I don't believe for one minute Scotland is as bad as our recent European record suggests.

Last season Hearts went out of the European Cup-Winners' Cup when Hamburger SV beat them home and away. That was termed as a disaster, but the West Germans did go on to win the trophy, didn't they? The term before Rangers went out to St.-Etienne, of France, in the European Cup. The Frenchmen, however, went on to the Final where they were unlucky to lose 1-0 to Bayern Munich. Hamburger SV and St.-Etienne were two extremely good sides and it was just unfortunate for the Scots clubs involved they had to meet such sides of high calibre so early in the tournament. There can be no getting away from the fact, though, that success in Europe is vitally important to Scotland. This country got a tremendous boost when my former club Celtic won the European Cup ten years ago and Rangers lifted the Cup-Winners'

Cup in 1972. A return to those days would suit everyone!

HAYES: It could be because our Leagues are so much tougher since the advent of the three Divisions. There is very little breathing space now and the pressure is always on. No player can take it easy in a couple of games saving himself for a big European tie. That's just not on these days. However, I believe luck has got a lot to do with it. The luck of the draw, the bounce of a ball anything like that often separates the winners from the losers. Obviously it can't ALL be bad luck, but I remember last season when Celtic played Wisla Krakow, of Poland, in the U.E.F.A. Cup. Celtic were going through a transitional period and were held to a 2-2 draw at Parkhead. They still went to Poland confident of victory and from what I saw on the television they got no luck whatsoever

whereas the Poles got several big slices of fortune. For instance, their first goal went in off a post. Another inch or so out and it would have come straight back off a post. Then Kenny Dalglish slipped one only centimetres past the upright. The Poles scored again when they stole about 25 yards at a free-kick and the Celtic defence were complaining to the referee! These things happen in Europe. Possibly other teams can adapt to these conditions better than Scottish sides.

SHOOT: Getting back to the international front, how do you think Scotland will fare in the World Cup Finals?

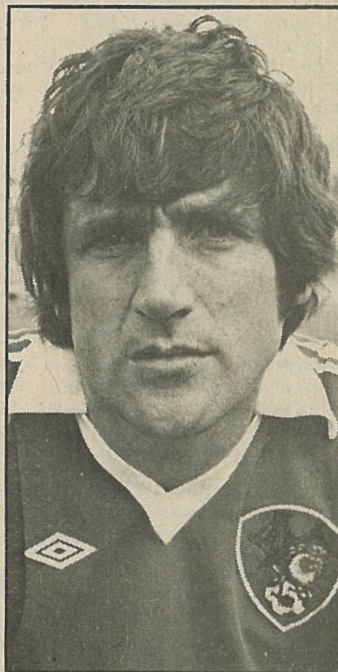
HOUSTON: I think Scotland must stand a reasonable chance of success. Of course a lot will depend on how the draw goes for their section. Still, I have every confidence in my country. They are a great squad of players and Ally MacLeod certainly knows what he wants from every individual. I bet many countries grimaced when they saw Scotland had won through. Scotland are the type of side no one can treat lightly. It will take a very good side to beat us. DAVIDSON: We've had the ideal preparation with our close season trip to Chile, Argentina and Brazil. Those games gave our players the opportunity to sample the foreign conditions and that was good thinking on someone's part. It will be difficult to do well, particularly in South America, but this Scottish side has grown up together and they can go forward with confidence. I'm certain they won't let anyone down.

HAYES: I've got to agree with both Bobby and Vic. I've been watching Scotland for years — ever since I first got lifted over a turnstile! — and this is undoubtedly the best international team I've ever witnessed. They play like a club side and they are so strong in so many departments. I'm not going to single out individuals, but, suffice to say, we have a team that will be second to none in pure skill.



Scotland sampled football in South America last summer when they went on tour. Willie Johnston (dark shirt) in action v. Argentina.

TAKE A BREAK—IT'S QUIZ TIME



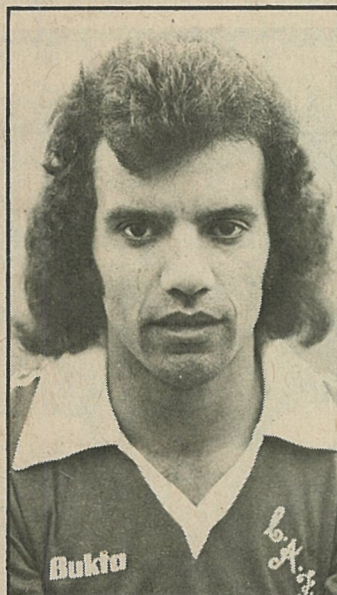
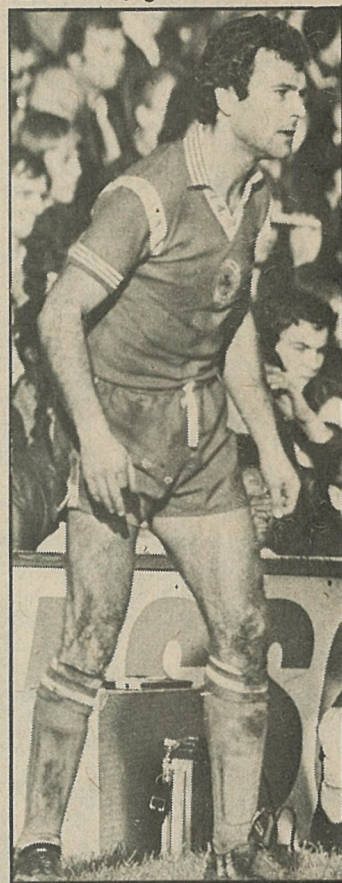
1. Can you spot the five deliberate mistakes from the brief account of the recent Luxembourg v. England World Cup qualifying game?

'Ron Greenwood, in his third game in charge of England, selected an attacking side with Ipswich's Trevor Whymark and Paul Mariner up-front.

However, the team struggled and at half-time England led 1-0 through a goal by Mariner.

Two minutes after the restart Mariner added a second. But England failed to score again despite bringing on substitutes Peter Ward and Kevin Beattie for Dave Watson and Terry McDermott.'

2. Do you know the Christian names of these players: ----- Bond (Norwich), ----- Edwards (Sheffield United), ----- Abrahams (right, Charlton)?



3. Pat Jennings, Norman Hunter (left), Andy Gray and Colin Todd have each won the Professional Footballers' Association Player of the Year award. Who won it in (a) 1973, (b) 1974, (c) 1975 and (d) 1976?

4. Which Second Division club were once known as the Black Arabs?

5. British clubs were involved in European Cups Second Round first-leg games recently. Glentoran put up a brave fight in the European Cup before losing 1-0, 2-0 or 3-0 to mighty Juventus?

6. Can you name the Aston Villa star who scored both goals in a 2-0 win against Gornik in the U.E.F.A. Cup at Villa Park?

7. In the same competition, Ipswich Town beat Las Palmas 1-0 with a goal from Eric Gates. Who missed a penalty for the Portman Road club?

8. Goals by Craig and Burns helped their side to a 2-1 home win against SWW Innsbruck in a European Cup-tie. Can you name the club?

9. The Anglo/Scottish Cup Semi-Final first-leg game between Hibernian and Bristol City, finished 0-0, 1-1 or 2-2?

10. On Saturday, October 22nd, Keith Weller (below, left) of Leicester City made his 300th, 400th or 500th Football League appearance?

11. If the 1971-72 League Cup winners entertained the 1972-73 First Division Champions which two clubs would be in opposition?

12. True or false? Scottish Second Division club Berwick Rangers play their home games at Shiffeld Park.

13. Birmingham City's Malcolm Page (below) is a full international for which country?

14. A Second Division club recently splashed out around £60,000 for Torquay United's Colin Lee. Can you name the club?

15. Wilf McGuinness was sacked recently as manager of Wrexham, York City or Southport?



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ANSWERS

1. (a) It was Greenwood's second game in charge, (b) Trevor Whymark did not start the game, (c) Ray Kennedy scored the first goal, (d) Mariner scored in the 9th minute of the game, (e) Why mark came on — not Peter Ward. 2. Kevin, Keith, Laurie. 3. (a) Spurs. 15. York City. 4. Liverpool. 12. True. 13. Wales. 14. 10. 11. 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Millwall's go-ahead manager GORDON JAGO looks at the sad state of the game in Britain and suggests ways to . . .

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IF THERE is one facet of British football which is more dangerous than any other it's complacency.

By tradition we've led the world, but that doesn't mean we can stand still — that we have a divine right to believe what was good one day is necessarily good the next.

One man who is extremely perturbed about our attitude to the way we market the game is Millwall manager Gordon Jago.

After a spell with Baltimore in the United States, and a summer break as guest of Tampa Bay Rowdies, Jago returned to Britain determined to put some refreshing new ideas into the English game.

"We have been standing still for

provide the facilities the public deserve. If a theatre were to offer similar facilities it would go out of business," he reflected.

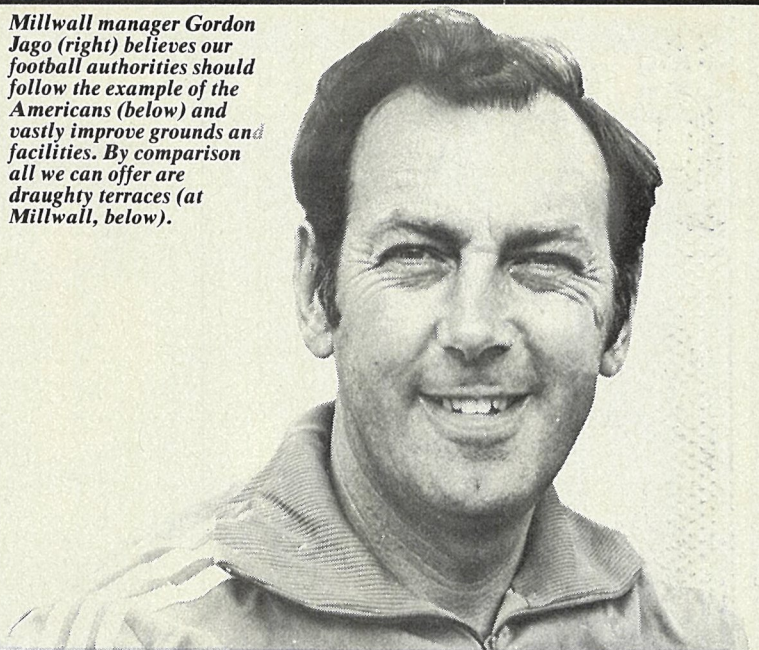
"Some of the big clubs like Liverpool and Manchester United have tried to improve facilities, but these are isolated examples, and in general we've only scratched the surface.

"Coventry and Everton have the right idea with restaurants where the whole family can go and be entertained any day of the week in comfort, but for those two there are 52 that haven't done anything since the War."

Naturally Jago draws comparisons with the way the game is sold to the American public.

"The Americans give people what they want. They realise they are in a vastly competitive market,

Millwall manager Gordon Jago (right) believes our football authorities should follow the example of the Americans (below) and vastly improve grounds and facilities. By comparison all we can offer are draughty terraces (at Millwall, below).



on trays, wretched toilet facilities, dirty seats, and nothing more than a game of football."

He is convinced this is why soccer tends at the moment to be attracting the hooligan element.

"We appeal to the wrong type of supporter, the one who wants to cause trouble, and finds his cause helped by the facilities and the cramped atmosphere of some of the grounds.

"Our spectators pay 80p or a pound to stand on the terraces, and they may think that is expensive, but they couldn't go anywhere else in the world and get their afternoon's football for less.

"I realise it is the chicken and the egg situation, and it is no use offering better facilities, while the entertainment is so poor — you wouldn't expect anyone to watch rubbish, but we have to start trying to make it more of a day out for the family, more of an occasion, even if it means making the game more exclusive.

"I would dearly love to be in the position whereby everyone is seated at the ground, and everyone is a season ticket holder.

"If as manager I had that position, I would know every game was a sell-out, there would be

money in the kitty and I could improve the team as the season went along. It would be up to me then, to show good house-keeping."

But where is the money going to come from?

"The 64,000 dollar question," acknowledges Jago.

"It has got to come from the Government. Last year they took £122,000,000 in taxation from the pools and as I understand it they are giving back to the Football League £2,500,000 for the improvement of stadia. Now I ask you, is that a fair proportion?"

"I honestly believe the football fan in this country wants to be entertained. He isn't satisfied to go along and stand on the same spot on the terraces that he did 20 years ago, without some additional form of incentive other than supporting his team.

"People today have more money to spend, and attitudes have changed. To hell with tradition in that sense, we have to keep pace with modern trends, and unless we compete on a more equal footing with other forms of entertainment football as we know it today could be very, very dead in a few years' time," he says.

so long, it's unbelievable. The game is in a dreadful mess in many ways and something has to be done about it."

Jago was not referring to the playing side, though we have certainly had our share of disappointments on the field of play recently.

He was talking about the way clubs treat their customers.

"The majority of our stadiums are terrible, out-dated and in many cases dilapidated. We just do not

up against all forms of entertainment, and to woo people they have to put on much more than 90 minutes of football.

"It is a real day out, with all the razzamatazz of a marching band, curtain-raisers, lunch, cabaret, motor-cycle displays, and all in complete comfort.

"By comparison we offer draughty terraces, tea and coffee in plastic, often grubby cups, packets of sweets and crisps sold

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